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PROLOGUE
THEY REFERRED TO IT BY A ROMANTIC NAME: ANGEL CALL.
A SPACE BACTERIA, A BECKONING VOICE OF "COME TO OUTER SPACE."
BUT AT THE SAME TIME, IT IS A PATHOGEN THAT SPREADS DEATH.
WHISPERS FROM AN ANGEL THAT SPEAKS OF DEATH.
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AND NOW, I WAS GOING TO TAKE IN A PROFOUND UNDERSTANDING OF THAT STRUGGLE.

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S-SO ANGEL CALL IS A, UH, SPACE BACTERIA?
BUT THEN IT'S ALSO A STRONG INFECTIOUS DISEASE?
THAT'S RIGHT.
HOW?
WHERE WOULD SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
COME FROM?
I'LL START FROM THE BEGINNING.
BUT...

A Long Look Back or Did Something Happen in Outer Space?

BEGINS SEVENTEEN YEARS AGO...

WITH A LONE GIRL RETURNING TO THE JUPITER SPHERE.

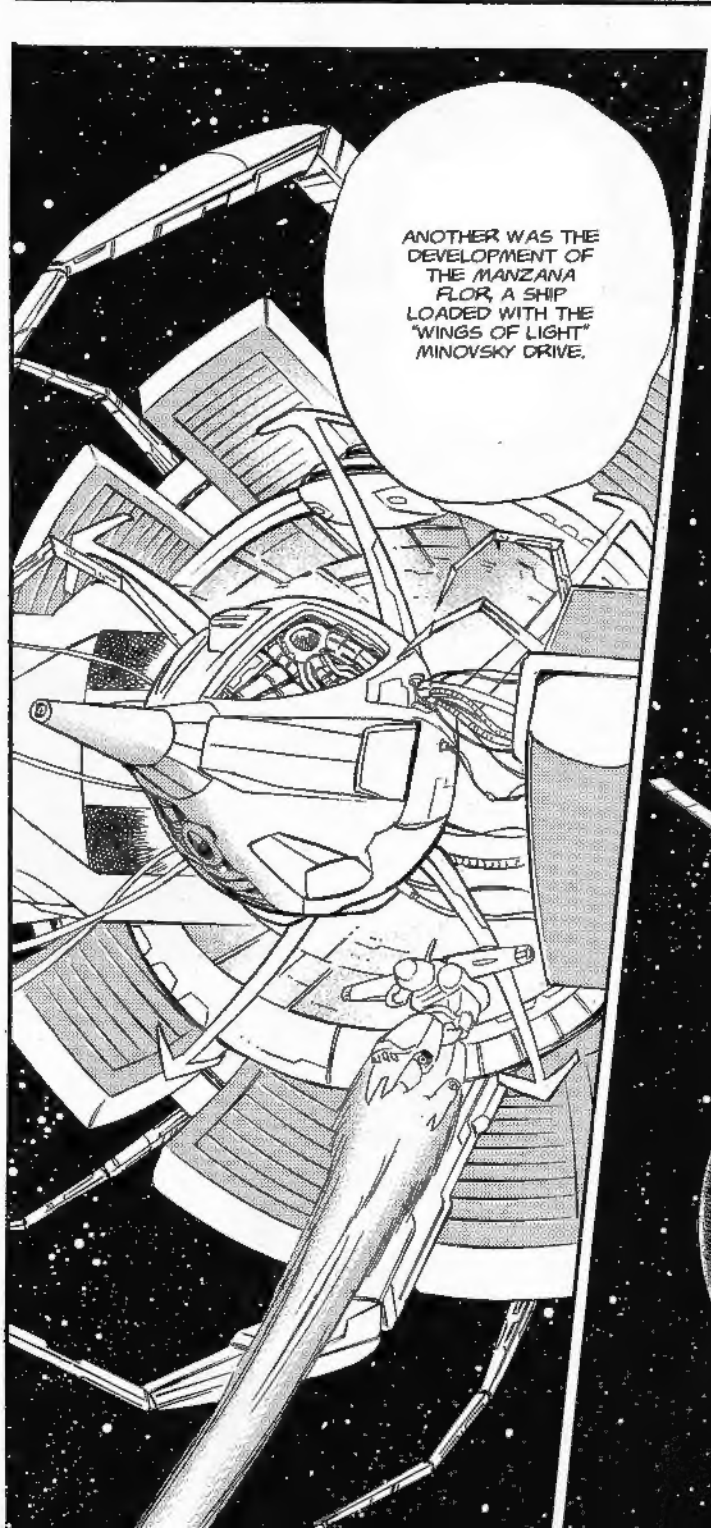
IT'S A BIT OF A LONG STORY.

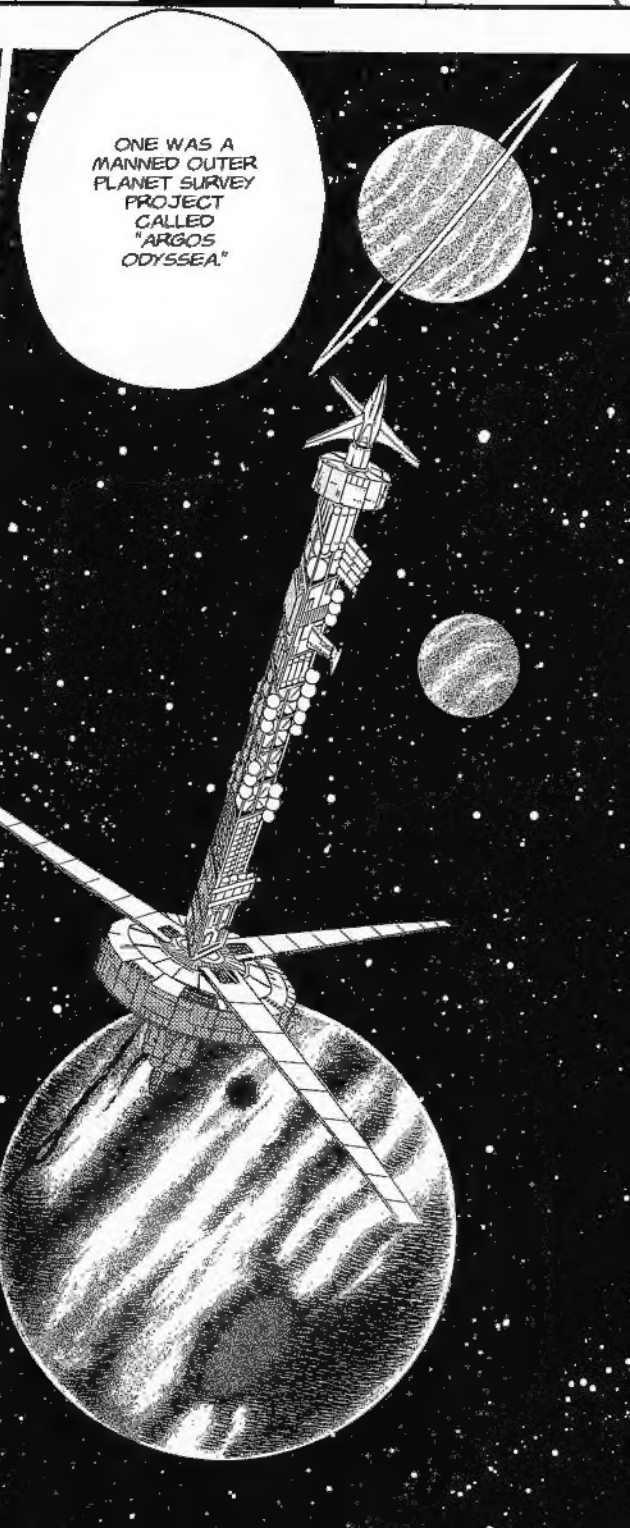
ONE THAT...

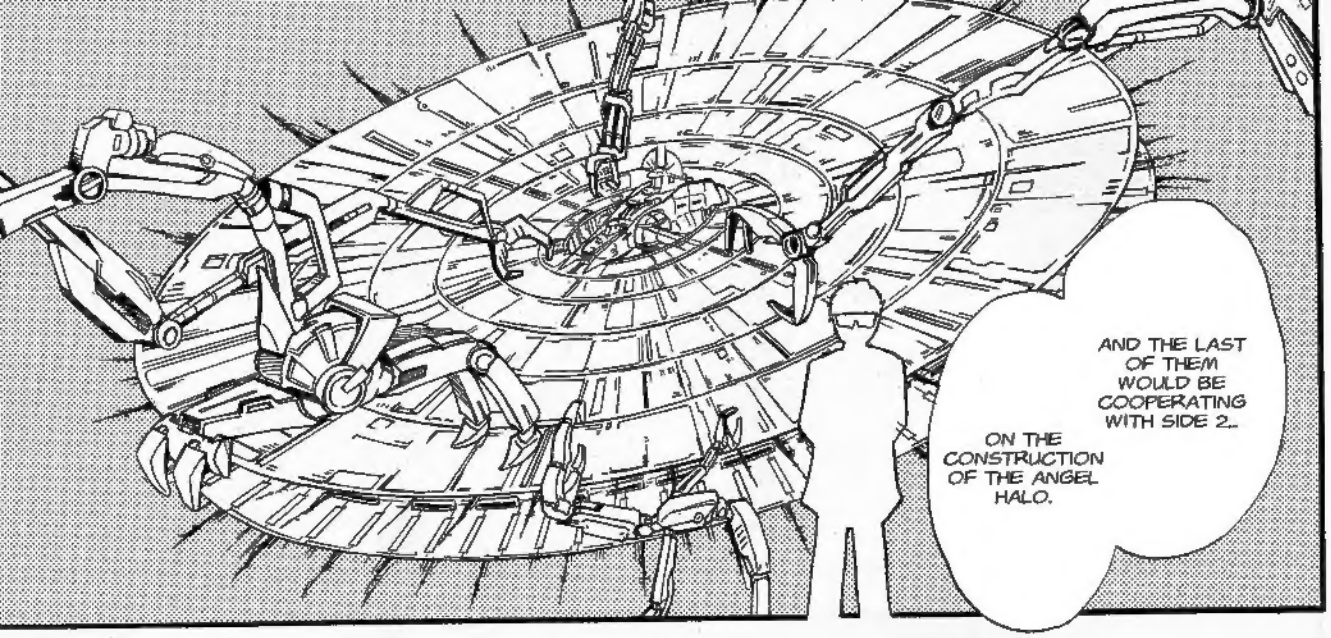
EH?
HUH?
WHA?
YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT FOOD RATIONING ON JUPITER...
ENDED ONLY RECENTLY.
THAT WAS THE REALITY.
IT WAS EVEN WORSE WHEN SHE FIRST ARRIVED.
HAHAHA! PEOPLE WERE REALLY POOR!
?
SHE WENT MISSING DURING THE JUPITER WAR AND WAS WATCHED OVER BY A CERTAIN FAMILY IN THE EARTH SPHERE.
SHE IS THE DAUGHTER OF THE FORMER DICTATOR CRUX DOGATIE.
SHE IS THE WOMAN YOU SAW EARLIER.
HER NAME IS TETENITH DOGATIE.

THOUGH JUPITER WAS NEVER A LARGE NATIONAL POWER...
IT HAD BEEN EXHAUSTED BY TWO WARS.
WHEN SHE RETURNED, SHE WAS DEVASTATED THAT NOTHING HAD CHANGED.
DO YOU KNOW HOW SHE AMASSED WHAT SHE HAS TODAY?
SHE INHERITED IT ALL FROM HER FATHER'S FOUNDATION.
AN ENORMOUS FORTUNE WAS LEFT BEHIND.
"THIS MUST BE USED FOR THE SAKE OF ALL JOVIANS."
SHE BROUGHT TOGETHER AN EXCELLENT STAFF, HOWEVER...
SHE HAD A VISION TO CREATE A NATION IN THE EARTH SPHERE...
IT DISAPPEARS ONCE IT IS CONSUMED.
BUT HISTORY DEMONSTRATES THAT EVEN IF IT IS MERELY DISTRIBUTED TO PEOPLE EQUALLY...

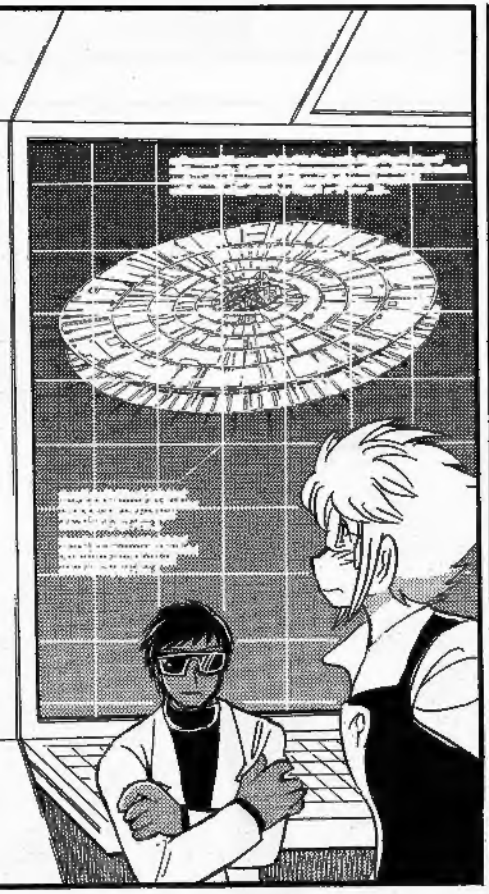
SHE FORMED THREE PLANS FOR THEIR FUTURE.


ANOTHER WAS THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MANZANA FLOR, A SHIP LOADED WITH THE "WINGS OF LIGHT" MINOVSKY DRIVE.


ONE WAS A MANNED OUTER PLANET SURVEY PROJECT CALLED "ARGOS ODYSSEA."


AND THE LAST OF THEM WOULD BE COOPERATING WITH SIDE 2...
ON THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ANGEL HALO.

T-THAT MEANS...
YOU GUYS WERE PLANNING TO INVADE EARTH TOO?!
HUH?!
CONSTRUCTION OF THE ANGEL HALO?!



HUH?
WHEN YOU FIRST LOOK AT IT, WHAT DO YOU SEE?
WHAT IS IT?

WHAT DO YOU THINK THIS IS?

SPOT ON.
A SMALL SPACE COLONY...
OR A LARGE SPACESHIP, MAYBE?

IT WAS NEVER MEANT TO BE A WEAPON.
ORIGINALLY, IT WAS SLATED TO TRANSPORT 100,000 PEOPLE TO JUPITER.

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THEY USE IT AS A WEAPON...
EVEN THOUGH IT WAS A JOINT DEVELOPMENT AS A SAFE MEANS OF RIOT SUPPRESSION...

IT PUT PEOPLE TO SLEEP. IT WAS CALLED A "CYCLOTRON WEB."
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FOLLOWING THE WAR, WE NEEDED MORE TALENTED PEOPLE.
WE WANTED TO ESTABLISH A FOOTHOLD CLOSE TO EARTH.
JUPITER IS EXTREMELY FAR FROM EARTH...

WE HOPED FOR A PARTNERSHIP WITH SIDE 2.
BUT THERE WAS SOMEONE WHO STOOD OUT ON SIDE 2...
FONSE KAGATIE, A MAN WHO CAME FROM THE JUPITER FLEET.
WE BELIEVED THAT THE SAME IDEALS COULD BE SHARED.

LADY TETENITH'S INTENTIONS WERE VERY CLEAR.
SAVE JUPITER.
SAVE THEM FROM STARVATION...

AND ABOVE ALL, TO GIVE THEM A CHANCE AT LIVING A NORMAL LIFE.
THAT'S ALL SHE WANTED.
NOTHING MORE, NOTHING LESS.
HOWEVER, SHE MISTAKENLY BELIEVED EVERYONE DESIRED PEACE...

AS PEOPLE SOMETIMES DESIRE PEACE...
SHE FAILED TO NOTICE OUR PARTNERS HIDDEN AGENDA.
BUT I'LL BE DAMNED IF SHE DOESN'T KNOW HOW TO STAND HER GROUND.
AND SO I'D LIKE TO BE ABLE TO HELP HER...
THAT'S WHY I AM WHERE I AM TODAY
SO YOU SEE, SHE'S NOT CUT OUT FOR THIS.
ANYWAYS, THE POLITICAL ARENA PROVED TO BE TOO MUCH FOR A SEVENTEEN YEAR OLD...
AH, WELL...
DON'T PAY ATTENTION TO MY ROLE IN ALL THIS.
HUH?
?
FIVE YEARS LATER, SHE ORGANIZED A BRIEF BASIC LINE...
DEEP, DEEP DOWN SHE WAS EXTREMELY EXHAUSTED, BUT...

SHE BECAME A MEMBER OF THE "ARGOS PROJECT" OF HER OWN ACCORD.
WHAAAT? CAN SOMEONE AS IMPORTANT AS HER REALLY DO THAT?!
WELL, I WAS AGAINST IT
AN IMAGE CAMPAIGN WAS ALSO SPREAD, SOMETHING LIKE "THE JOVIAN PRINCESS HEADS TO THE SEA OF STARS!"
AS YOU HEAD TOWARDS THE FURTHER AWAY, THE DISTANCE BETWEEN PLANETS WIDENS.
YET IT WOULD NOT BE AN EASY PATH TO TAKE...
ALTHOUGH SHE WOULD BE FAR AWAY FROM THE "WAVES OF PEOPLE," HER CLOSE ADVISOR ALSO BELIEVED THIS WAS THE BEST CHOICE.
LADY TETENITH'S RESOLVE WAS IMPREGNABLE.

IN ANTICIPATION OF RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT, THIS MAGNIFICENT INVESTIGATIVE PROJECT WOULD ENCOMPAS SATURN, URANUS AND NEPTUNE...

AND ONCE DEPARTED, IT WOULD NOT RETURN FOR A GRUELING TEN YEARS.

EVEN THOUGH SATURN NEIGHBORS, THE DISTANCE TO IT IS STILL FURTHER THAN IT IS TO EARTH.

EVEN WHEN NEPTUNE IS AT IT'S CLOSEST IT'S DISTANCE IS STILL SIX TIMES FURTHER THAN IT IS TO EARTH.

WELL THEN THAT MEANS..

HUH?

HUH?

SHE'S NEVER SEEN ANOTHER CHILD OTHER THAN HERSELF?

WHAT THEN?

OH.

HUH?

WAS THAT AFTER LADY TETENITH DEPARTED, SHE DISCOVERED THAT SHE WAS PREGNANT.

THE ONLY MISCALCULATION

WELL, HOW DO I PUT IT?
WHY?
WELL, I ORIGINALLY APPLIED, BUT THAT... WELL, YEAH.
YOU WERE ORIGINALLY A PART OF THAT TEAM, RIGHT MR. CURTIS?
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YOU'RE BELLE'S FATHER, RIGHT?
HUH?
NO NO NO, DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT SPREADING A RUMOR LIKE THAT!
DOES MY FACE EVEN LOOK LIKE HERS?
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WHAT ON EARTH MADE YOU THINK THAT?!
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OF COURSE BELLE'S FATHER IS SOMEONE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT!
SHE DOESN'T LOOK TOO HAPPY..
I'LL TELL YOU THE STORY BEHIND THAT ANOTHER TIME..
AT ANY RATE..
?
STILL, EVEN THOUGH HE DOESN'T LOOK LIKE HER...
WHAT'S THIS GUY'S STORY?
WHAT'S HE HIDING?
IS HE SOME SORT OF AGENT?
STILL, I KNOW HE'S BLUFFING!
AND I'VE GOT THE UPER HAND HERE!

THE JOURNEY CONTINUED FOR ELEVEN YEARS..
JUST UNDER A HUNDRED PEOPLE PARTICIPATED IN THE PROJECT
GETTING TO KNOW EVERYONE DURING THE TRIP HELPED PUT LADY TETENITH'S MIND AT EASE
COMMUNICATION WITH JUPITER WAS STILL POSSIBLE WITH TIME DELAYS, OF COURSE..
SO SHE WAS UP TO DATE ON CURRENT AFFAIRS OF OUR HOMELAND
EVERYTHING APPEARED TO BE GOING SMOOTHLY

SHE WAS THE ONE AND ONLY
ONE OF THE DOWN SIDES WAS THERE WERE NO OTHER CHILDREN BORN ASIDE FROM BELLE.
DESPITE BEING OTHER COUPLES PRESENT, SOME OF WHOM WERE EVEN EXPECTING...
IT BEGAN...
WHILE WE OBTAINED MUCH VALUABLE INFORMATION, IT IS UNRELATED TO WHAT HAPPENED NEXT...
LET'S FORGET THE RESULTS OF THE VOYAGE.
WHEN WE WERE APPROACHING SATURN'S ORBIT AGAIN...

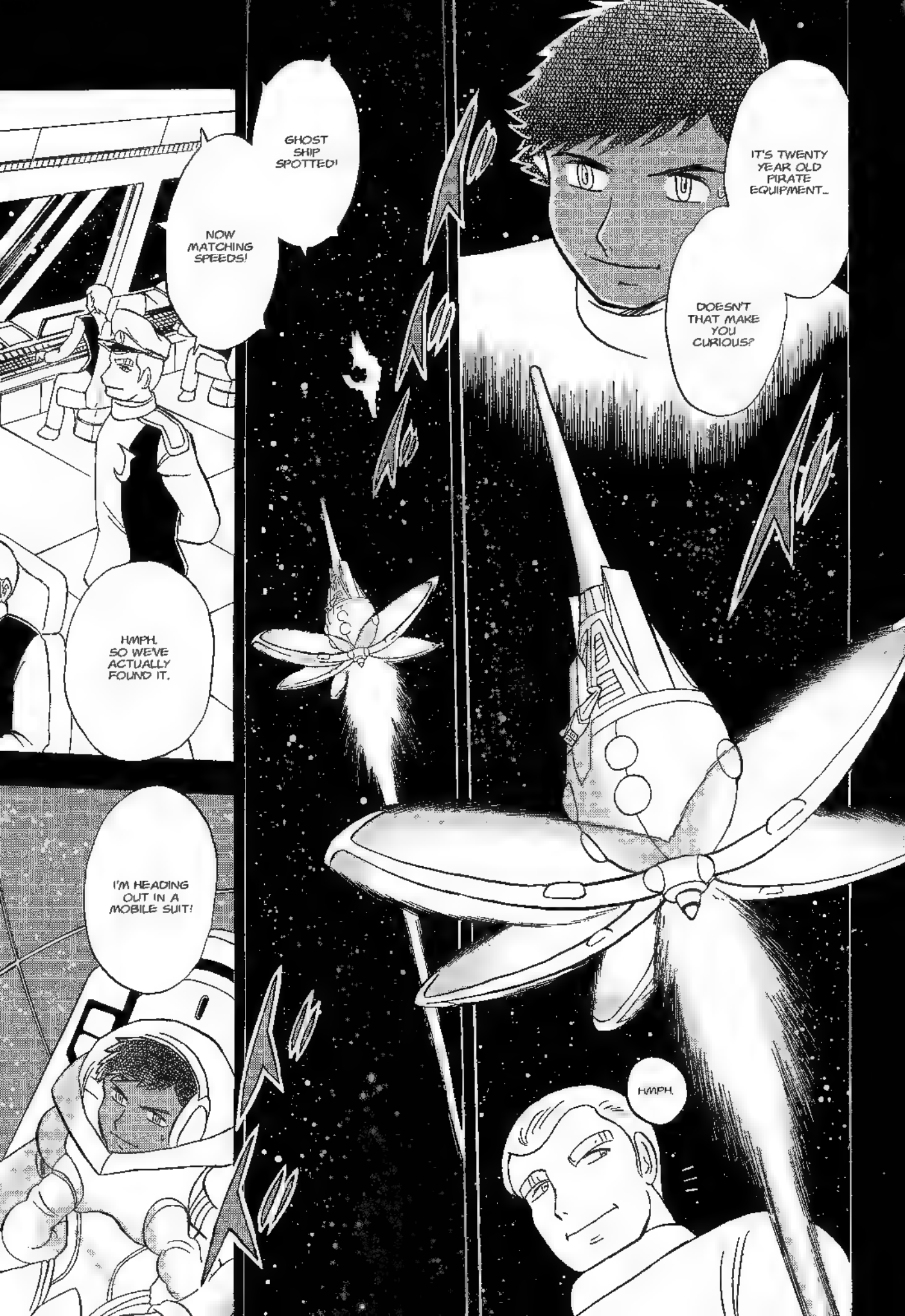
CURTIS!
CURTIS!
EVEN WITH HAVING A SYSTEM THAT TRANSLATE MY SURROUNDINGS INTO SOUND...
FORGIVE ME, LADY TETENITH, JUST A LITTLE LONGER.
IT'S ALREADY TIME FOR OUR RENDEZ-VOUS!
HAVEN'T YOU HAD ENOUGH YET?

ABSOLUTELY NOT!
HAHAHA!! NO MATTER WHAT, YOU ALWAYS DISAPPROVE!
YOU WON'T LET ME SEARCH FOR THE "GHOST SHIP" NOW WILL YOU?
UNLESS I SHOW YOU I HAVEN'T LOST MY EDGE...
RIGHT?
HE'S GOT A POINT
CURTIS IS MORE THAN CAPABLE.
HE'S BETTER AT PILOTING A MOBILE SUIT THAN ANY OF US WHO CAN STILL SEE!
IT'S EASY IT'S AN ACADEMIC INTEREST...
HAHAHA! FAR FROM THAT!
YOU'RE QUITE OBSESSED WITH THIS "GHOST SHIP"
ALMOST LIKE YOU'RE SEARCHING FOR A LOST LOVER.
THEY'RE HERE.

OUR COMPLETED WINGS OF LIGHT...
THE MANZANA FLOR
SO YOU MANAGED TO FIND US ALL THE WAY OUT HERE, ELIN.
IT'S CAPTAIN ELIN NOW ISN'T IT?
HAHAHA! IT'S BEEN A WHILE. WE'VE BOTH AGED A BIT, HAVEN'T WE, CURTIS?

DON'T BE AFRAID.
PEOPLE! THERE'S A LOT OF PEOPLE HERE I DON'T KNOW!!
THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK.
THE MANZANA FLOR WAS COMPLETED AHEAD OF SCHEDULE SO WE SET OUT AFTER YOU.
HAHAHA!
YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED A BIT, LADY TETENITH.
WELL, WE CAUGHT THE TAIL PIECE.
BY THE WAY, WORD HAS IT..
THAT YOU'VE FOUND THE WRECK KNOWN AS THE "GHOST SHIP"
HAD AN ACCIDENT IN THE ASTEROID BELT.
APPROXIMATELY TWENTY YEARS AGO, A SUPPLY SHIP BELONGING TO THE CROSSBONE VANGUARD, AN ENEMY OF JUPITER..

HAD IT OF HAPPENED ON EARTH, IT WOULDVE STAYED IN ONE PLACE...
BUT SPACE IS DIFFERENT
RETAINING IT'S SPEED AT THE TIME OF ENGINE FAILURE, IT EVENTUALLY PASSED JUPITER...
NOW IT'S SOMEWHERE NEAR SATURN.
OF COURSE, IT'D TAKE A MIRACLE TO FIND IT
WE'VE HAD A LOT OF FREE TIME ON THIS VOYAGE...
SO I REANALYZED THE DATA I OBTAINED SEVERAL TIMES. IT SHOULD BE VERY ACCURATE
AND THAT WOULD BE THE START OF WORK FOR THE MANZANA FLOR, RIGHT?
IF I'M UNDERSTANDING YOU THAT IS.
BUT WHAT IS THE VALUE IN FINDING SOMETHING LIKE THAT NOW?
EVEN IF I COULD CALCULATE ITS POSITION...
THE LAST MINUTE ACCELERATION AND DECELERATION NEEDS SOME FINE TUNING
WOULDN'T THIS BE AN IDEAL CHANCE TO TEST THE WINGS OF LIGHT?
BESIDES...


IT'S TWENTY YEAR OLD PIRATE EQUIPMENT...
DOESN'T THAT MAKE YOU CURIOUS?
HMPH.
GHOST SHIP SPOTTED!
NOW MATCHING SPEEDS!
HMPH. SO WE'VE ACTUALLY FOUND IT.
I'M HEADING OUT IN A MOBILE SUIT!

I'M HEADING OUT!

NOT ONE BIT

HE HASN'T CHANGED

WERE IT NOT FOR YOU, I'D BE TOAST!
IT'S BEEN A WHILE, CROSSBONE GUNDAM.
MAYBE THE PIRATE FORCES SERVED AS AN TESTING UNIT FOR THE WEAPONS?
THERE'S NO DATA ON IT, BUT THERE ARE VARIOUS WEAPONS!
AH!!
DUNNO
IT'S POSSIBLE...
DOES IT LOOK LIKE THEY CAN BE USED?

IT'S A METEORITE!
WHAT TERRIBLE LUCK!
SO THIS THING COLLIDED WITH THEM DESPITE THE VASTNESS OF OUTER SPACE?
COLLECT SOME SAMPLES.
I WANT A COMPLETE ANALYSIS OF WHERE THIS THING CAME FROM.
ROGER THAT!
I'LL HAVE TO GET OUT OF MY MOBILE SUIT TO CONTINUE INVESTIGATING.
BE CAREFUL!

W WELL...
WHAT'S THE MATTER? WHAT HAPPENED?
WHAT?!
?
W WHAT THE HELL?!
WHAT?
THERE'S CLOTHES FLOATING
I'M NOT ENTIRELY SURE
A BLACK LIQUID
THERE'S PEOPLES CLOTHES ON THE BRIDGE AND WHAT ELSE?

I CAN'T EVEN DESCRIBE IT

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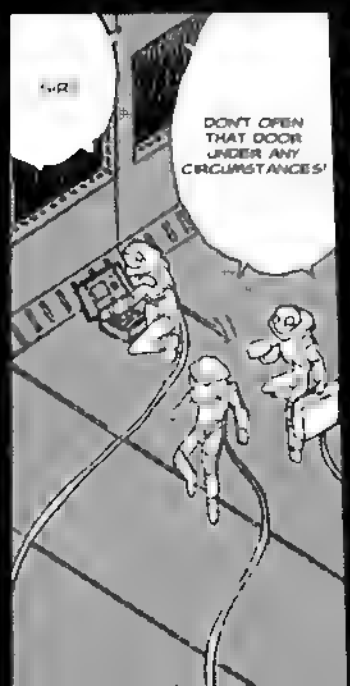
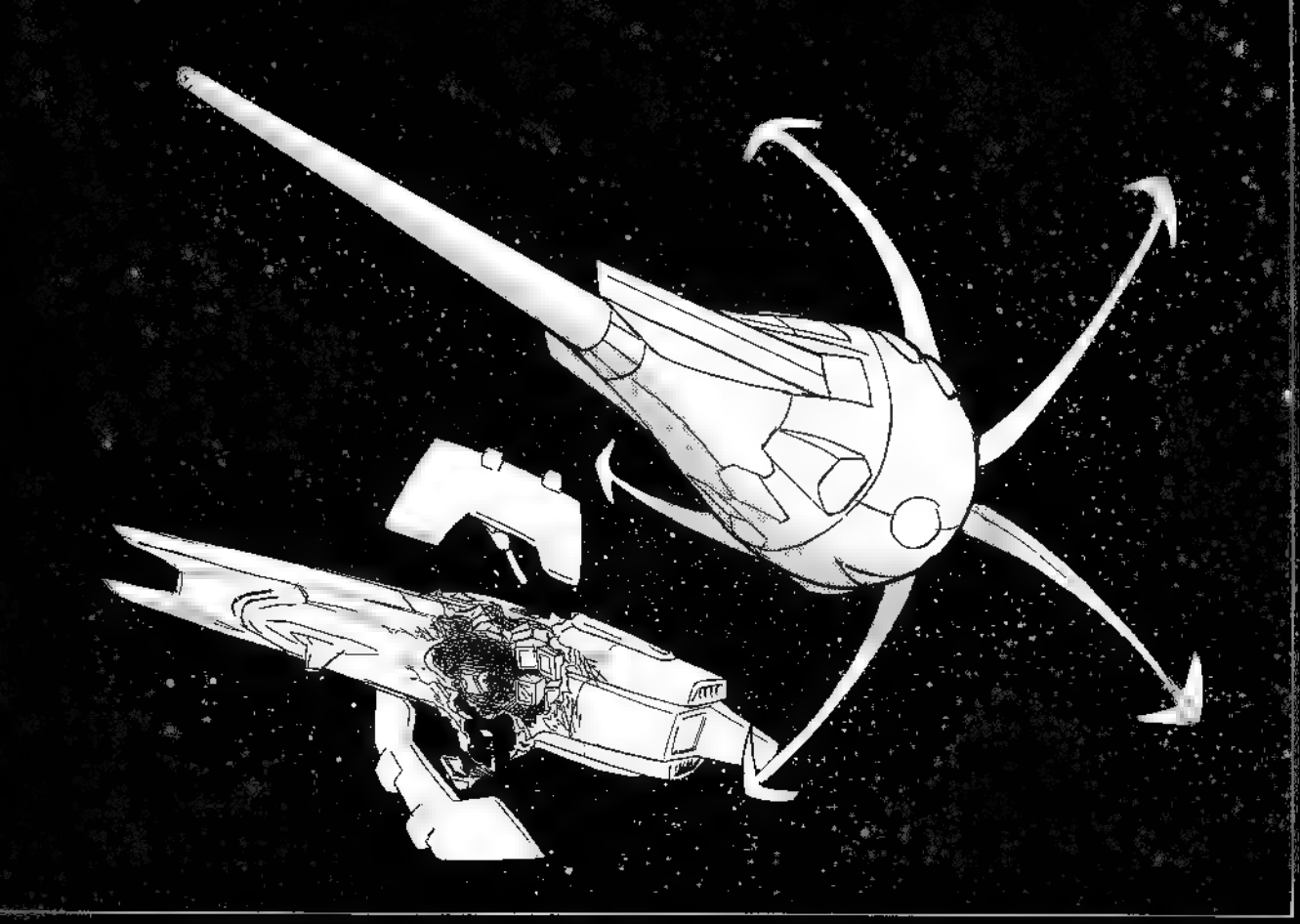
!?
WHAT THE_?

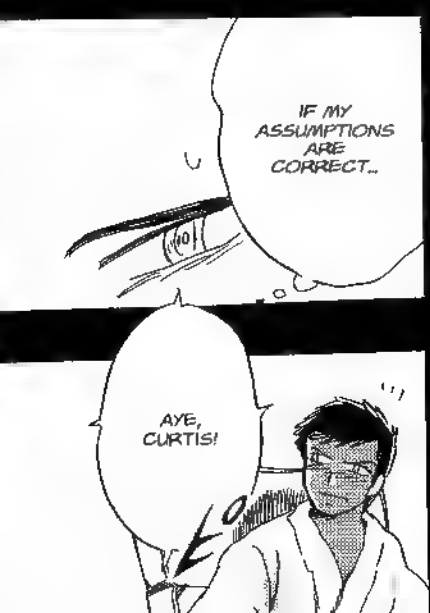
I FINALLY RETURN_
AND WHAT'S BEFORE ME IS_


DON'T OPEN THAT DOOR UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES!

CAN YOU DOWNLOAD THEIR FLIGHT MANIFEST FROM HERE?
YES, I THINK SO

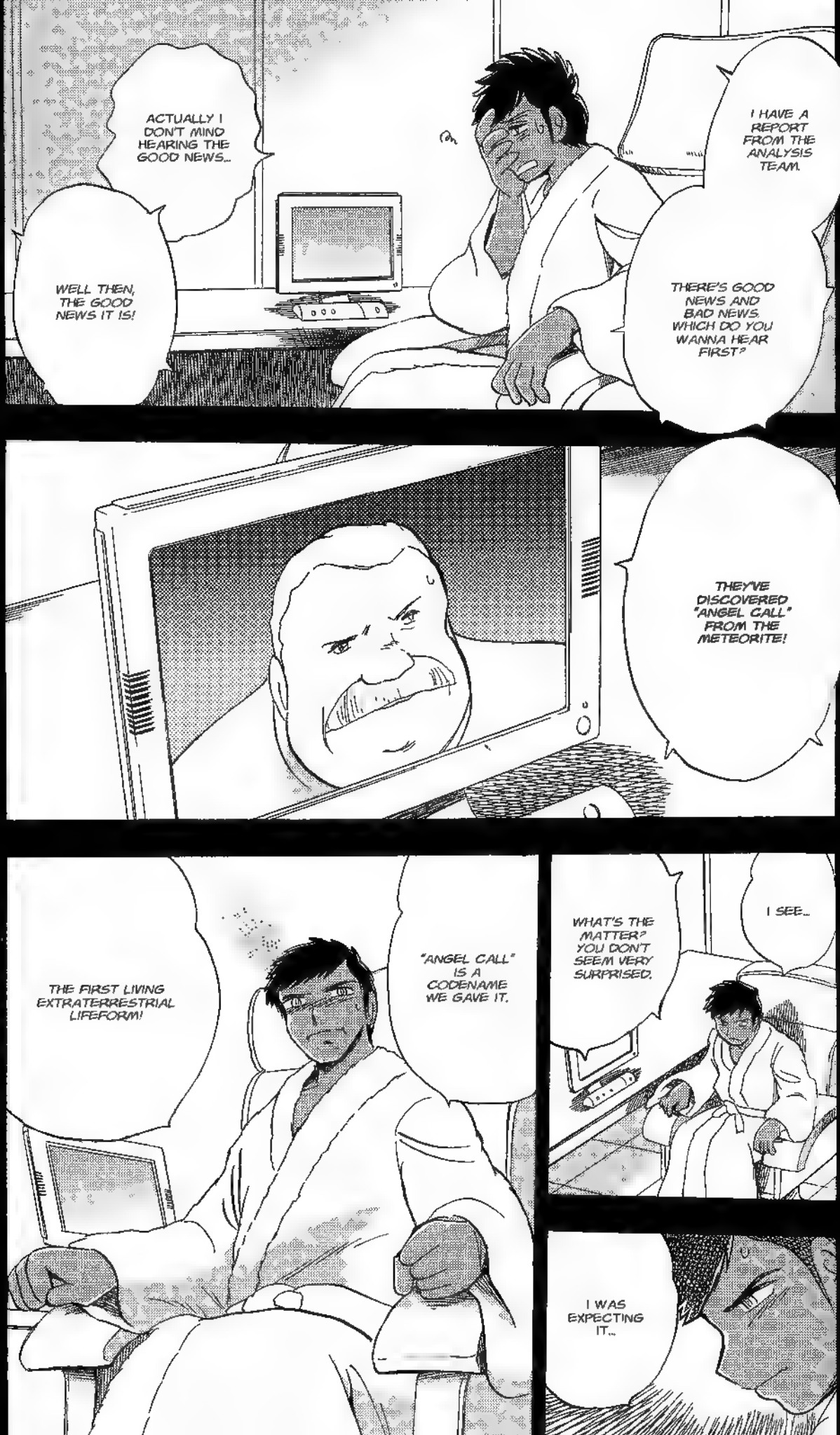


IN OTHER WORDS, THAT MEANS THERE HAS TO HAVE BEEN SOMEONE THAT SURVIVED TO SEND OUT A MESSAGE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE ACCIDENT
AFTER THE ACCIDENT, THE GHOST SHIP'S ORBITAL DATA...
WAS DISCOVERED BURIED DEEP WITHIN SNRI'S DATABASE.


IF MY ASSUMPTIONS ARE CORRECT...
AYE, CURTIS!

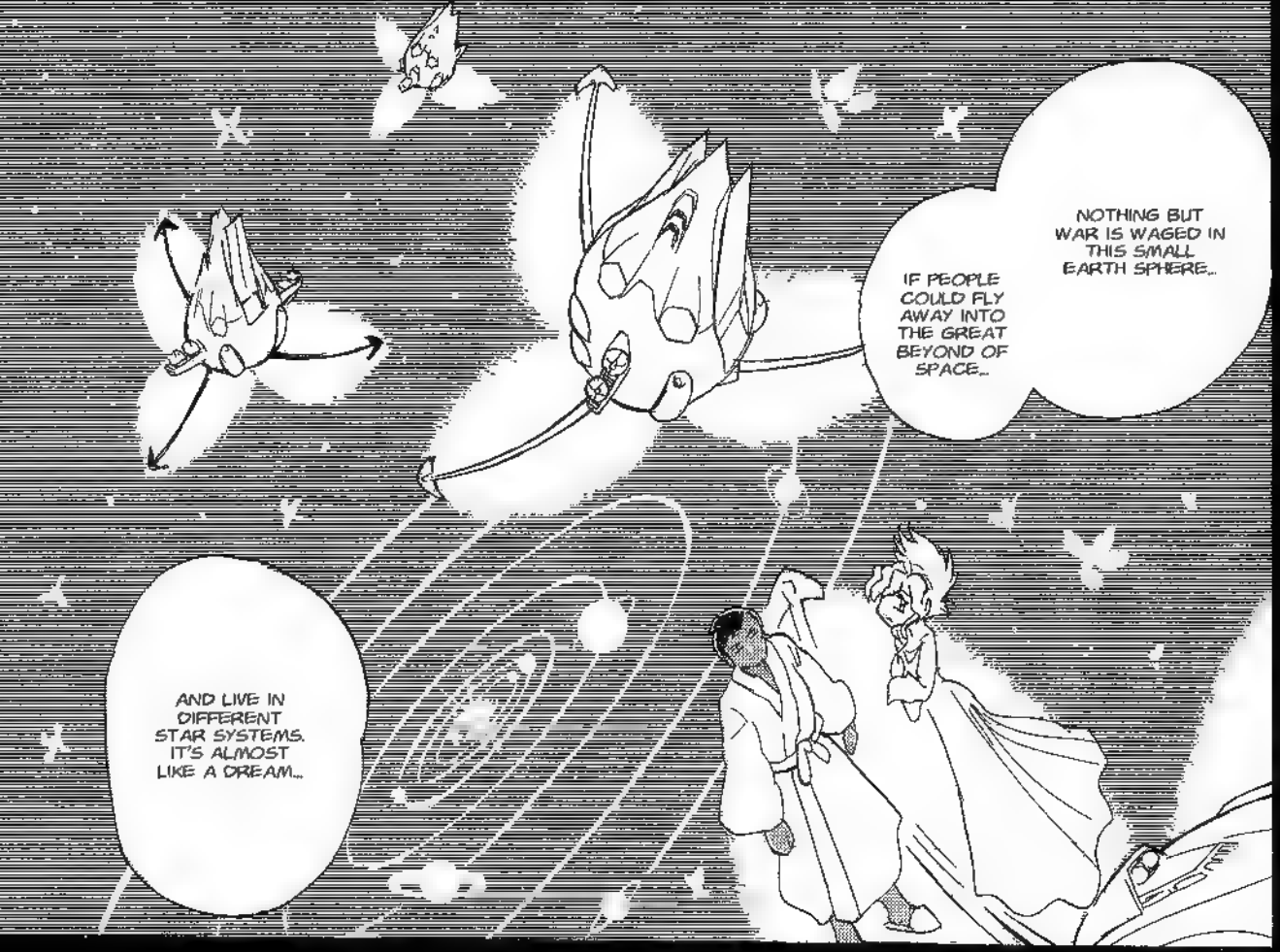
AND THAT BLACK LIQUID? WHAT IF THAT'S...?
WHERE DID THEY VANISH TO LEAVING ONLY THEIR CLOTHES BEHIND?

BUT IF THEY DIED, THEN HOW?
OF COURSE THEY'D BE LONG DEAD BY NOW...

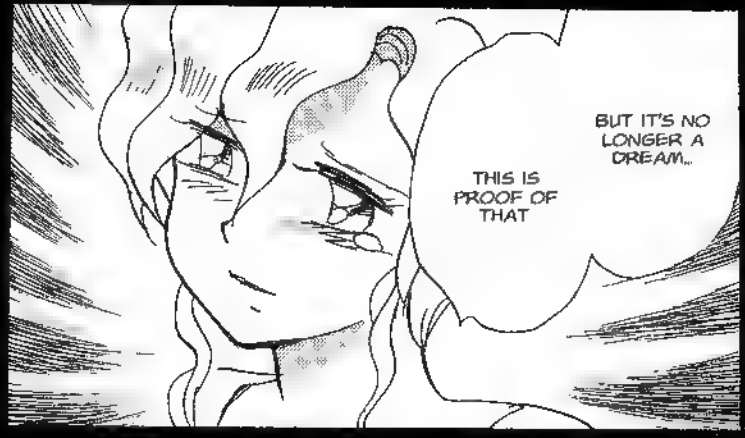

I HAVE A REPORT FROM THE ANALYSIS TEAM.
THERE'S GOOD NEWS AND BAD NEWS. WHICH DO YOU WANNA HEAR FIRST?
ACTUALLY I DON'T MIND HEARING THE GOOD NEWS...
WELL THEN, THE GOOD NEWS IT IS!
THEY'VE DISCOVERED "ANGEL CALL" FROM THE METEORITE!
I SEE...
WHAT'S THE MATTER? YOU DON'T SEEM VERY SURPRISED.
"ANGEL CALL" IS A CODENAME WE GAVE IT.
THE FIRST LIVING EXTRATERRESTRIAL LIFEFORM!
I WAS EXPECTING IT...

WAH!!
WE DID IT! WE REALLY DID IT!!
CURTIS!!
I KNOW, I KNOW! PLEASE CALM DOWN, LADY TETENITH!
I HEARD THE REPORT! I'M SO HAPPY! FINALLY!
WE DISCOVERED ANGEL CALL!
NOTHING!
NOTHING'S HAPPENING!
WHAT'S GOING ON OVER THERE? I CANT SEE YOU ANYMORE!

WITH THIS, THE UNIVERSAL CENTURY IS FINISHED.
THAT'S RIGHT...
EVEN IF IT TOOK A HUNDRED OR A THOUSAND YEARS...
THERE IS FINALLY PROOF OF LIFE OUTSIDE OF EARTH IN THE VASTNESS OF OUTER SPACE.
NO MATTER HOW SMALL...
ANGEL CALL MAY BE...
WITH THIS...
WITH THIS, THERE ARE NO LIMITS TO HUMANITY'S DEPTH OF KNOWLEDGE...


NOTHING BUT WAR IS WAGED IN THIS SMALL EARTH SPHERE...
IF PEOPLE COULD FLY AWAY INTO THE GREAT BEYOND OF SPACE...
AND LIVE IN DIFFERENT STAR SYSTEMS. IT'S ALMOST LIKE A DREAM...

THAT WAS YOUR... MEAN OUR DREAM.
AH, THAT'S RIGHT


BUT IT'S NO LONGER A DREAM...
THIS IS PROOF OF THAT

ALTHOUGH THIS IS JUST A GUESS ON OUR PART...
WELL...

RIGHT
PROFESSOR, YOU HAVEN'T TOLD ME THE BAD SIDE OF THIS ALL YET.

HOWEVER, HE HASN'T TOLD ME YET...

IT'S A DANGEROUS PATHOGEN!
THIS LIFE FORM CARRIES A POTENT TOXIN...
HUH?
THAT'S THE ONLY POSSIBLE EXPLANATION.
THE ENTIRE CREW OF THE GHOST SHIP
BECAME INFECTED BY IT AND MELTED.
AH
THAT KIND OF...
THAT CAN'T BE

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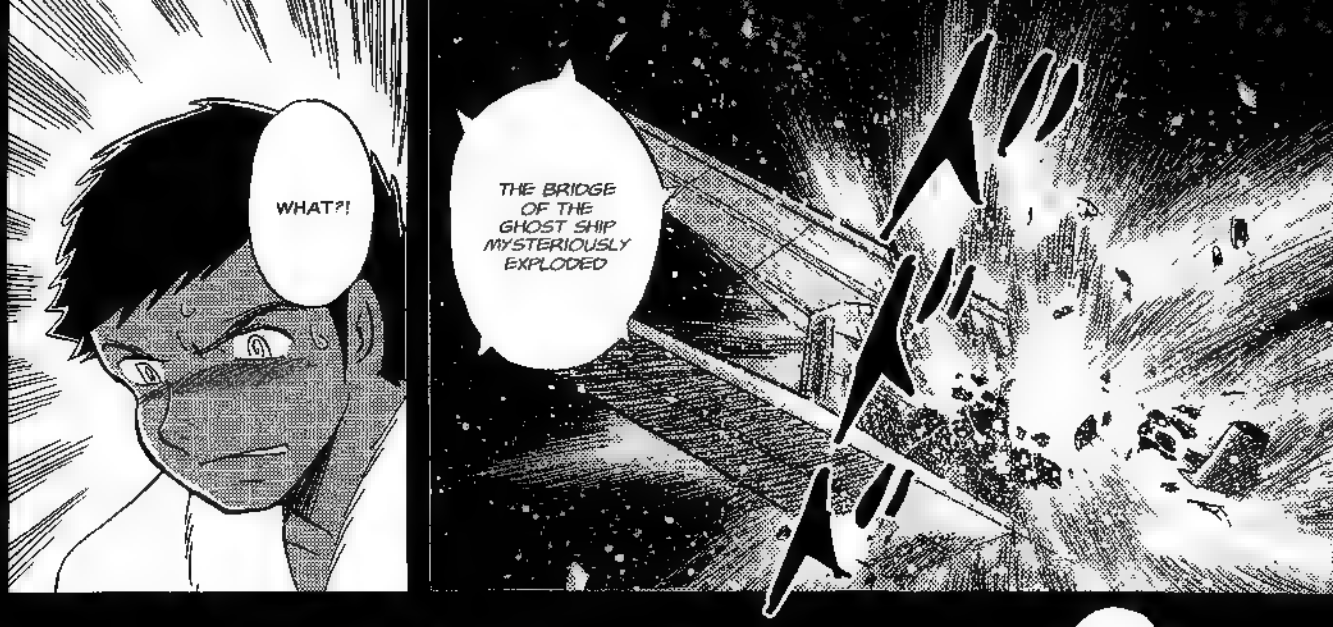
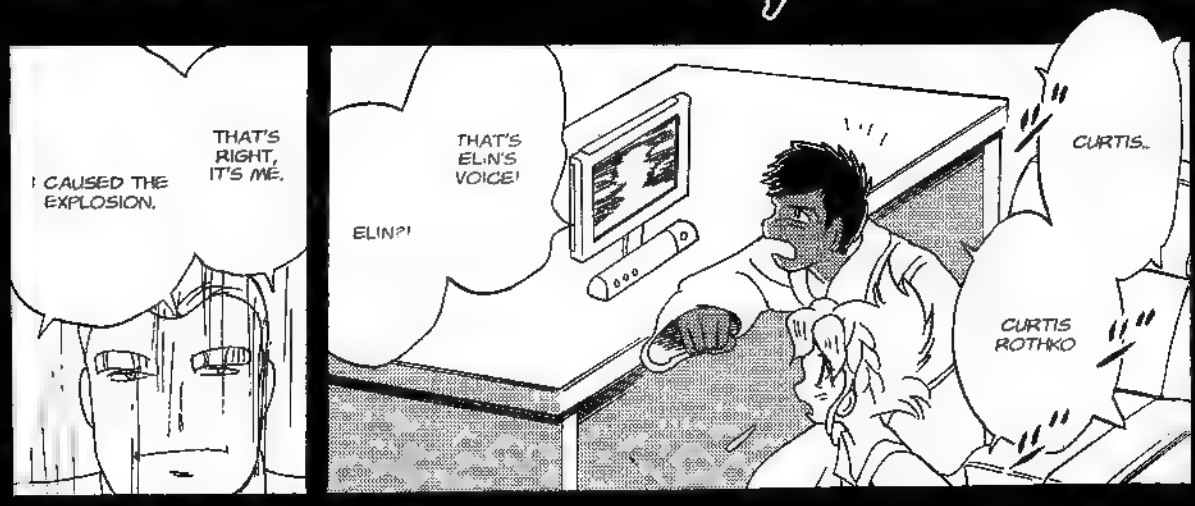
WHAT THE?!
!?
CONTROL ROOM, WHAT'S GOING ON?!
CURTIS!
WHERE DID THAT COME FROM?!
UH...
WE DON'T KNOW THE CAUSE, BUT...


WHAT?!
THE BRIDGE OF THE GHOST SHIP MYSTERIOUSLY EXPLODED


I CAUSED THE EXPLOSION.
THAT'S RIGHT, IT'S ME.
THAT'S ELIN'S VOICE!
ELIN?!
CURTIS..
CURTIS ROTHKO

IT CAN CAUSE HARM TO HUMANITY...
REGARDLESS OF HOW MUCH VALUABLE INFORMATION CAN BE GAINED FROM ANGEL CALL...
AND FOR THAT IT NEEDS TO BE DESTROYED.
ELIN?
YOU'VE ALREADY DONE ALL THAT YOU COULD
HAHAHA! THERE'S NO NEED TO BE SURPRISED

WHAT I HOLD IN MY HAND, ANGEL CALL...
IS SOMETHING I PLAN ON USING.
WE'VE KNOWN EACH OTHER FOR A LONG TIME...
SO I'LL SKIP THE FORMALITIES.
I'LL TELL YOU WHAT I'M PLANNING.
JUST WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU PLANNING?!
ELIN?!
W-WHAT...
DO YOU PLAN ON TAKING IT TO JUPITER?
I COULD ASK YOU THE SAME THING, CURTIS!
WHAT AM I PLANNING?

WHO THE HELL ARE YOU...
CURTIS ROTHKO?!
!?
?

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"WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?"
YOUR OWN FRIEND ASKED YOU THAT?
THAT'S RIGHT
WHY?
I'M NOT QUITE SURE.
I WONDER WHY...
HOWEVER, THAT DELUSION...
SLOWLY...

SLOWLY BUT SURELY ERIN SEEMED TO HAVE BELIEVED IN THIS "TRUTH" WITHIN HIM.
I'M ALMOST CERTAIN...
HE'S HIDING SOMETHING, A SMALL LIE EVEN...
ONE THING I DO KNOW...
LYING ABOUT IT SEEMS
TO BE DIFFICULT FOR HIM.
HE SEEMED TO THINK THAT LADY TETENITH AND I...
ARE TRAITORS TO JUPITER.
WHAT ARE YOU NOT TELLING ME?
JUST WHO THE HELL ARE YOU, CURTIS ROSCO?!

WE WERE CLASSMATES AT THE SAME HIGH SCHOOL.
HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN THAT TOO?
ERR
THAT'S RIGHT, YOU LOST YOUR "MEMORIES" DIDN'T YOU?
NO MATTER..
PEOPLE MOVE ON LIKE THAT, RIGHT?
IT'S NO USE! WE'RE TRYING TO PREVENT THE PAPILLON'S ACTIVATION FROM OUR CONTROLS..
BUT IT CAN'T BE STOPPED!
IT'S NO GOOD!
IT'S CARRYING THE "WINGS OF LIGHT".. IF IT WERE TO TAKE OFF..

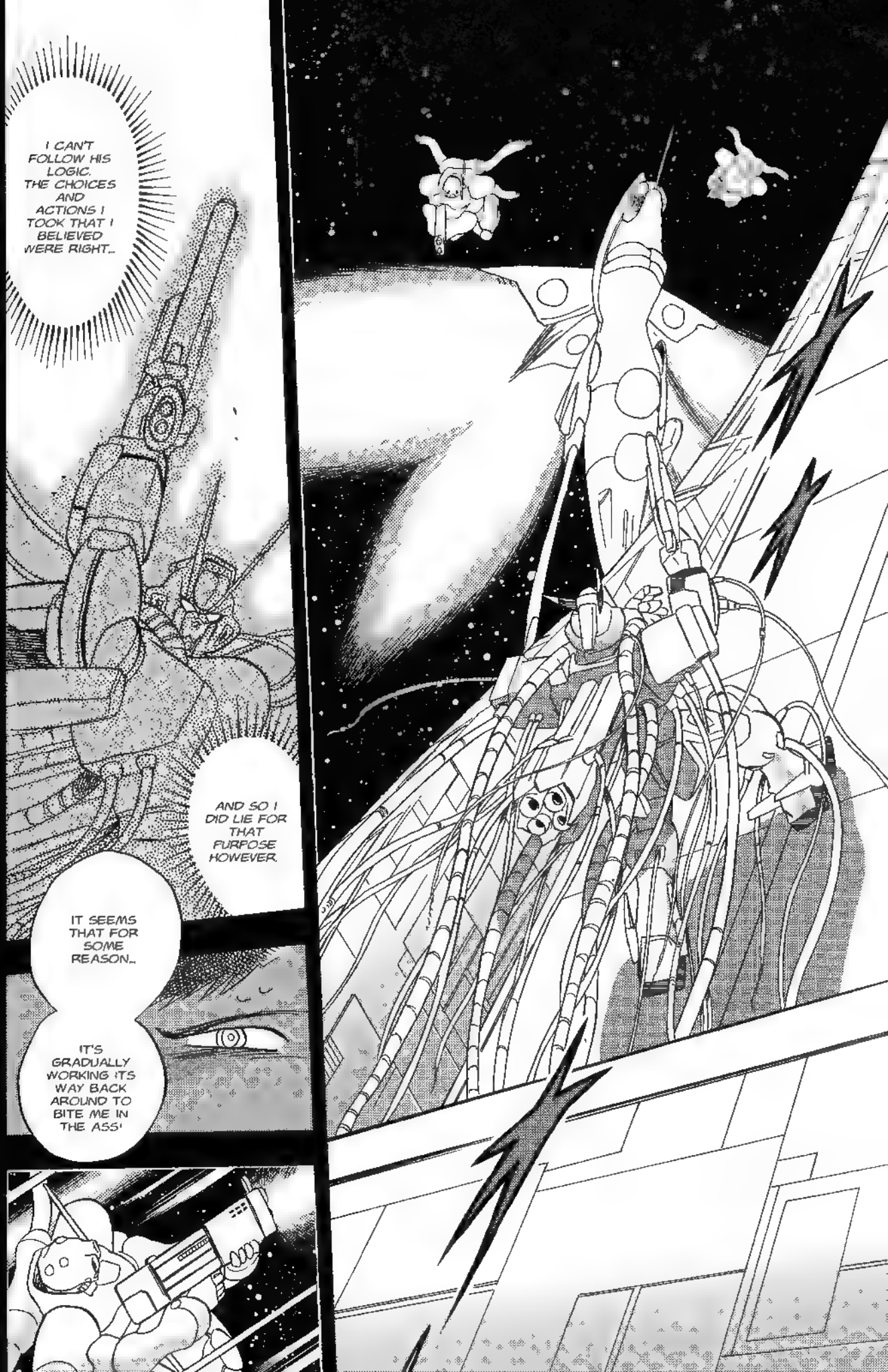
CURTIS!!
TOGETHER WITH ANGEL CALL..
I'LL HEAD FOR THE EARTH SPHERE ONE STEP AHEAD
FOLLOW ME AT YOUR LEISURE WHY DON'T YOU?
DAMN ELIN!
AT ANY RATE..
SHALL TAKE MY LEAVE NOW
BUT SINCE YOU WERE ABOARD I DETERMINED THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN IMPOSSIBLE.
I WANTED TO TAKE OVER THE SHIP IF I WAS ABLE TO..
KEH!
BUT THE CURTIS THAT I KNEW..
WAS NOT A MAN WHO WAS ABLE TO DO SUCH THINGS.
SO I HAD TO ACKNOWLEDGE THOSE TALENTS.
IT'S ONLY BEEN A FEW YEARS FOR YOU AS SERPIENTE TACONE AND YOUR ACTIVITIES AT JUPITER..

I WAS LED TO BELIEVE YOU DIED DURING THE JUPITER WAR.
BUT WHEN YOU RETURNED, I WAS ELATED.
BUT, IN WORKING WITH YOU I REALIZED SOMETHING.
YOUR GESTURES. YOUR SPEECH PATTERNS...
I NOTICED SUBTLE DIFFERENCES WHICH WEREN'T ATTRIBUTED TO SOMEONE WHO LOST THEIR MEMORIES.
I SENSED SOMETHING WAS WRONG AND SUSPICIONS CAME ABOUT IN MY MIND.
AND AS TIME PASSED...
YOU COULD SAY MY CONVICTION CHANGED.
I WAS ALWAYS WATCHING ALL OF YOU.
WHAT HAPPENED, ELIN?! WHAT'RE YOU SAYING?
YOU MUST BE MISTAKEN!
WERE WE NOT WORKING TOGETHER ON THE SAME GOALS?
FOR AN IDEAL JUPITER?!

TWO BATARA UNITS ARE ACCOMPANYING THE PAPILLON!
YOUR IDEAL JUPITER IS NOT MY IDEAL JUPITER.
BESIDES, YOU ALWAYS WORKED FOR THE PEOPLE OF JUPITER...
RATHER THAN FOR JUPITER.
AM I RIGHT?
THAT'S RIGHT LADY TETENITH AND EVEN CURTIS...
YOU REALLY GAVE YOUR ALL FOR THE PEOPLE OF JUPITER.
AND I MUST APPLAUD YOU FOR THAT HOWEVER...
HOW CAN YOU ASK US TO BELIEVE..
I SOMEONE WHO HIDES WHO THEY TRULY ARE?

PAPILLON!
MINOVSKY DRIVE, ACTIVE!
W-WAIT!
Y-YOU CAN'T, MR. CURTIS!
THAT UNIT IS STILL BEING WORKED ON!

I'M COUNTING ON YOU!
I HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO TRY THOUGH!
STILL A WORKER BATARA'S BEAM IS TOO WEAK
CROSSBONE GUNDAM!!
WHOA!
BRIDGE GIVE ME VERBAL DIRECTION!


I CAN'T FOLLOW HIS LOGIC. THE CHOICES AND ACTIONS I TOOK THAT I BELIEVED WERE RIGHT...
AND SO I DID LIE FOR THAT PURPOSE HOWEVER.
IT SEEMS THAT FOR SOME REASON...
IT'S GRADUALLY WORKING ITS WAY BACK AROUND TO BITE ME IN THE ASS!

CALM DOWN! LEAVE THE COUNTERATTACK TO THE BATARA'S! CONCENTRATE ON ACCELERATION!
AH!
HE'S TARGETING US!!
IT'S NOT EVEN ARMED!
BESIDES, THEY'RE A COMMERCIAL USE EXPERIMENTAL UNIT
WE CAN'T BRING THEM ALONG ANYWAYS
ELIN!!
DONT MAKE ME...
PULL THE TRIGGER ON YOU!!
I'LL BE WAITING FOR YOU.
SEE YA LATER, ROSCO OLD BUDDY!
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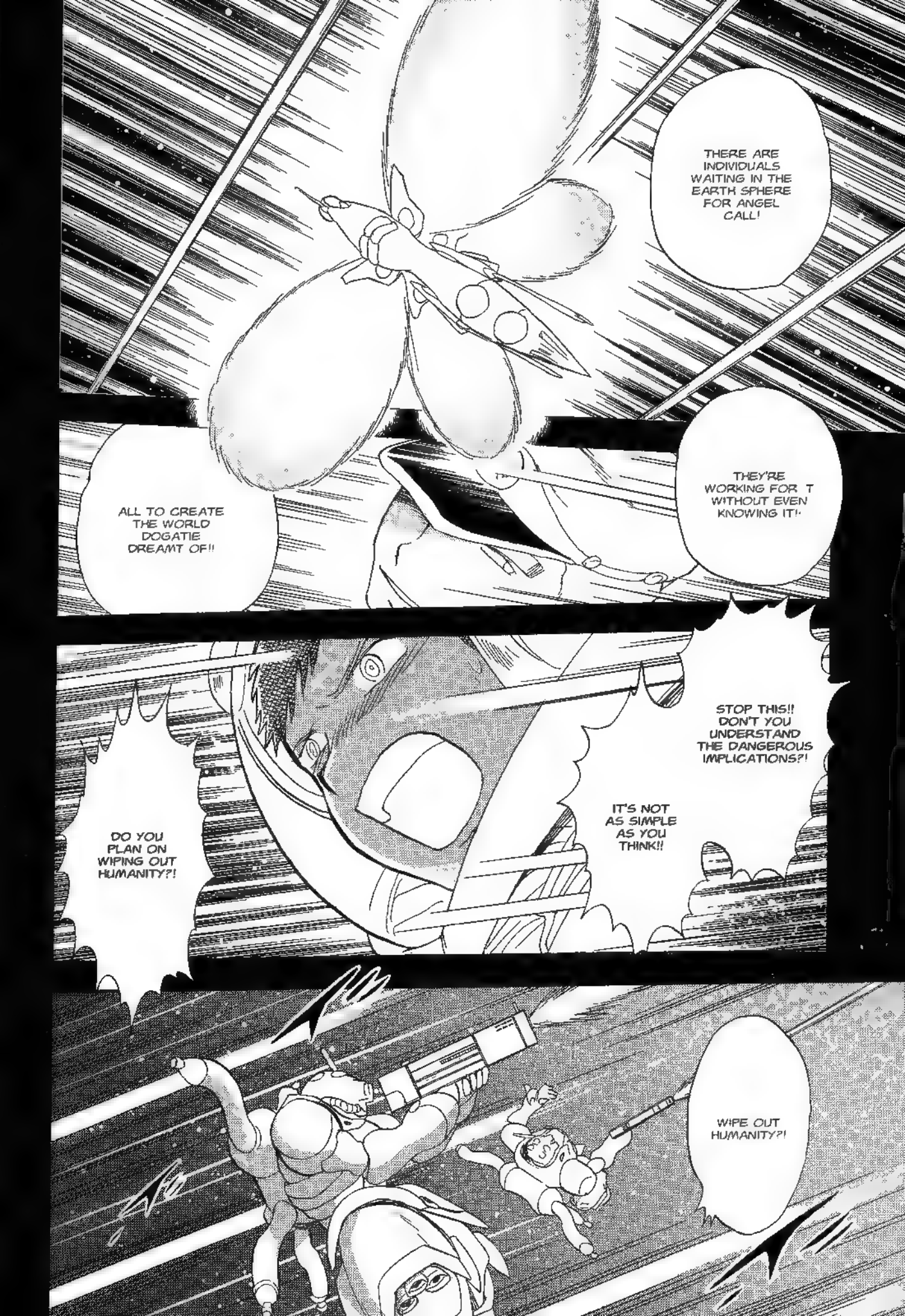
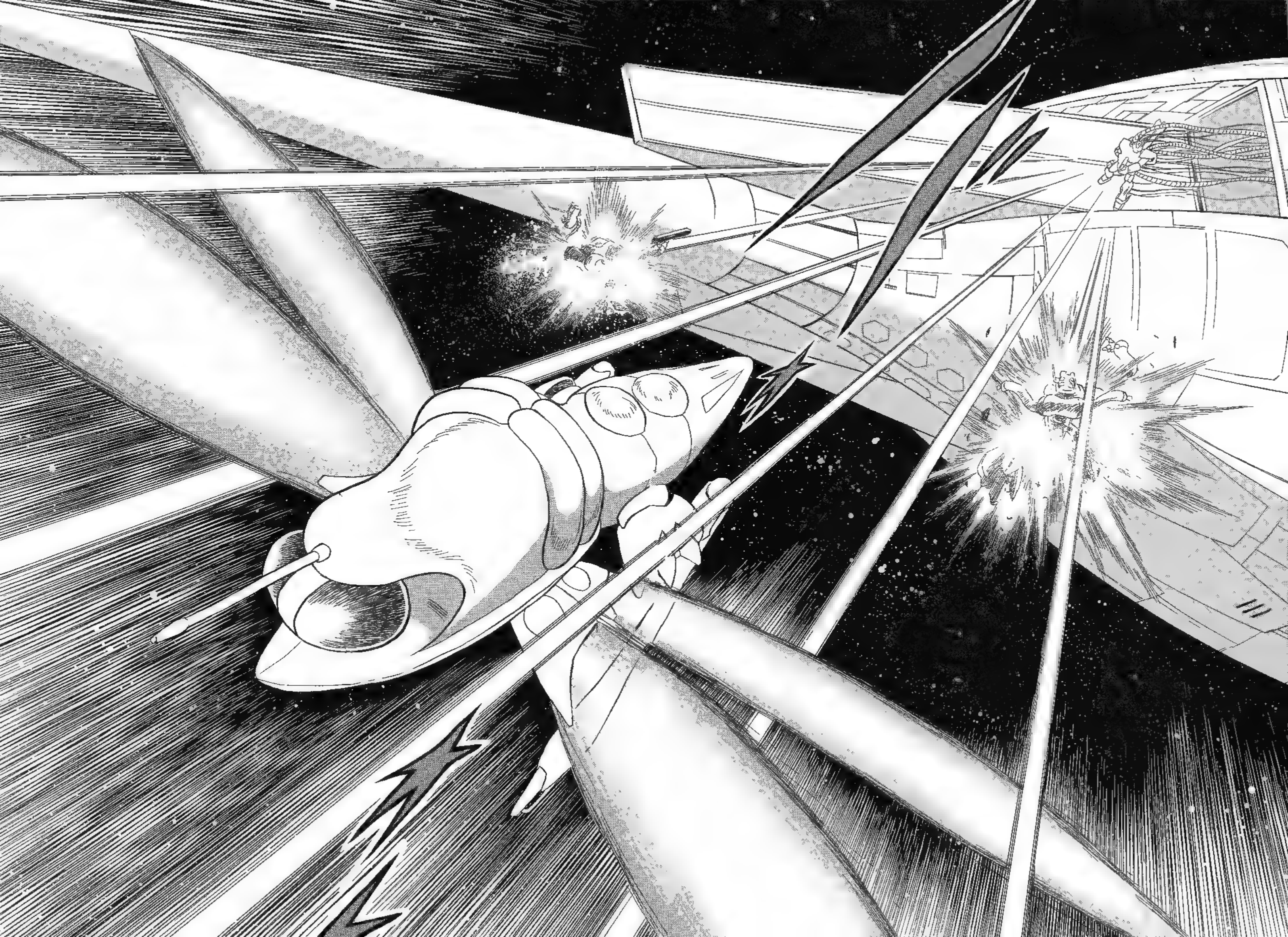
ELIN!!


THERE ARE INDIVIDUALS WAITING IN THE EARTH SPHERE FOR ANGEL CALL!
THEY'RE WORKING FOR T WITHOUT EVEN KNOWING IT!
ALL TO CREATE THE WORLD DOGATIE DREAMT OF!!
STOP THIS!! DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND THE DANGEROUS IMPLICATIONS?!
IT'S NOT AS SIMPLE AS YOU THINK!!
DO YOU PLAN ON WIPING OUT HUMANITY?!
WIPE OUT HUMANITY?!

DON'T BE SO STUPID!
THE ONLY ONES WIPED OUT WILL BE THOSE IN THE EARTH SPHERE!!
MANKIND WILL SURVIVE!
A HUMANITY WHO EVOLVED...
SOLELY AT JUPITER!!
ELIN!!



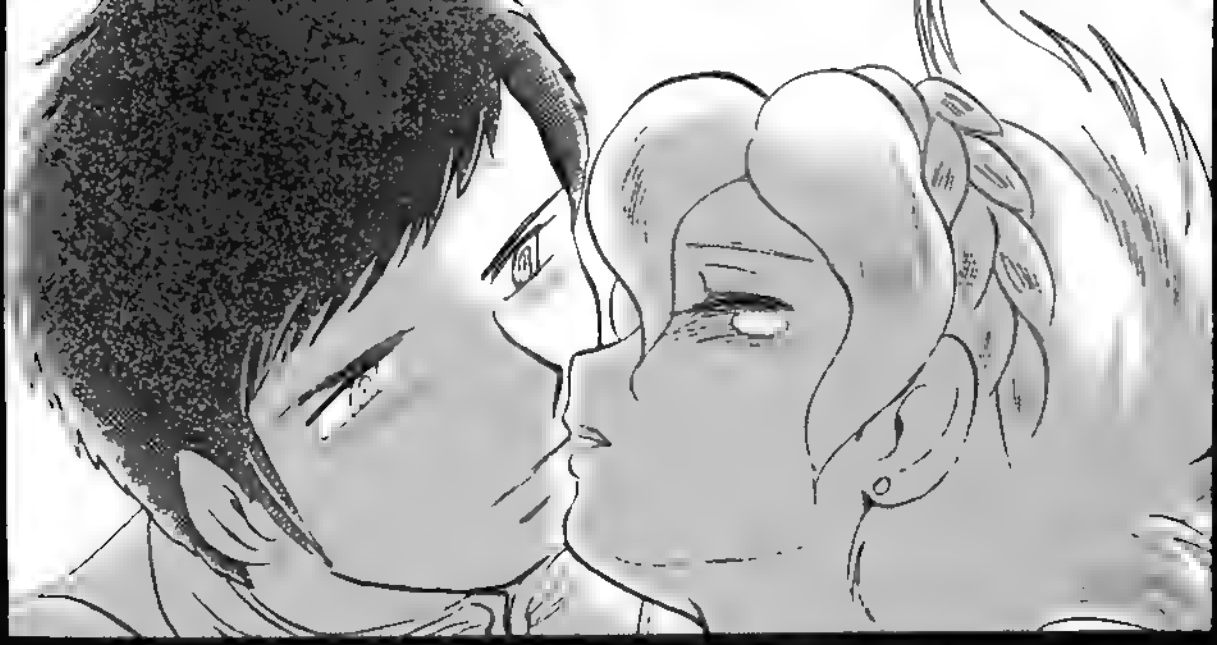
THE PAPILLON IS ACCELERATING!
THEIR DISTANCE IS WIDENING!
I'M SORRY HE GOT AWAY.

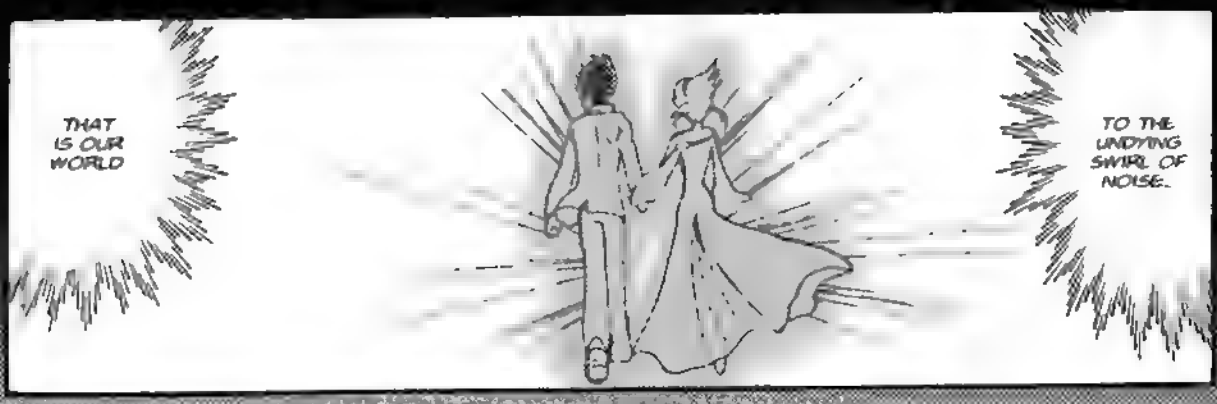
MY DREAMS CAME TRUE.
THANK YOU.
I REALLY ENJOYED THESE LAST TEN YEARS.

YES.
OH..

LET'S GO HOME. BACK TO OUR WORLD.
THANK YOU... BUT...

TO FAR AWAY PLACES FROM JUPITER.
YOU TRAVELLED THE SEA OF STARS WITH ME..




THAT IS OUR WORLD
TO THE UNDYING SWIRL OF NOISE.

AND THERE YOU HAVE IT

I GET THE FEELING HE'S BEING COY ABOUT SOMETHING, BUT...

HE PAUSED AGAIN.

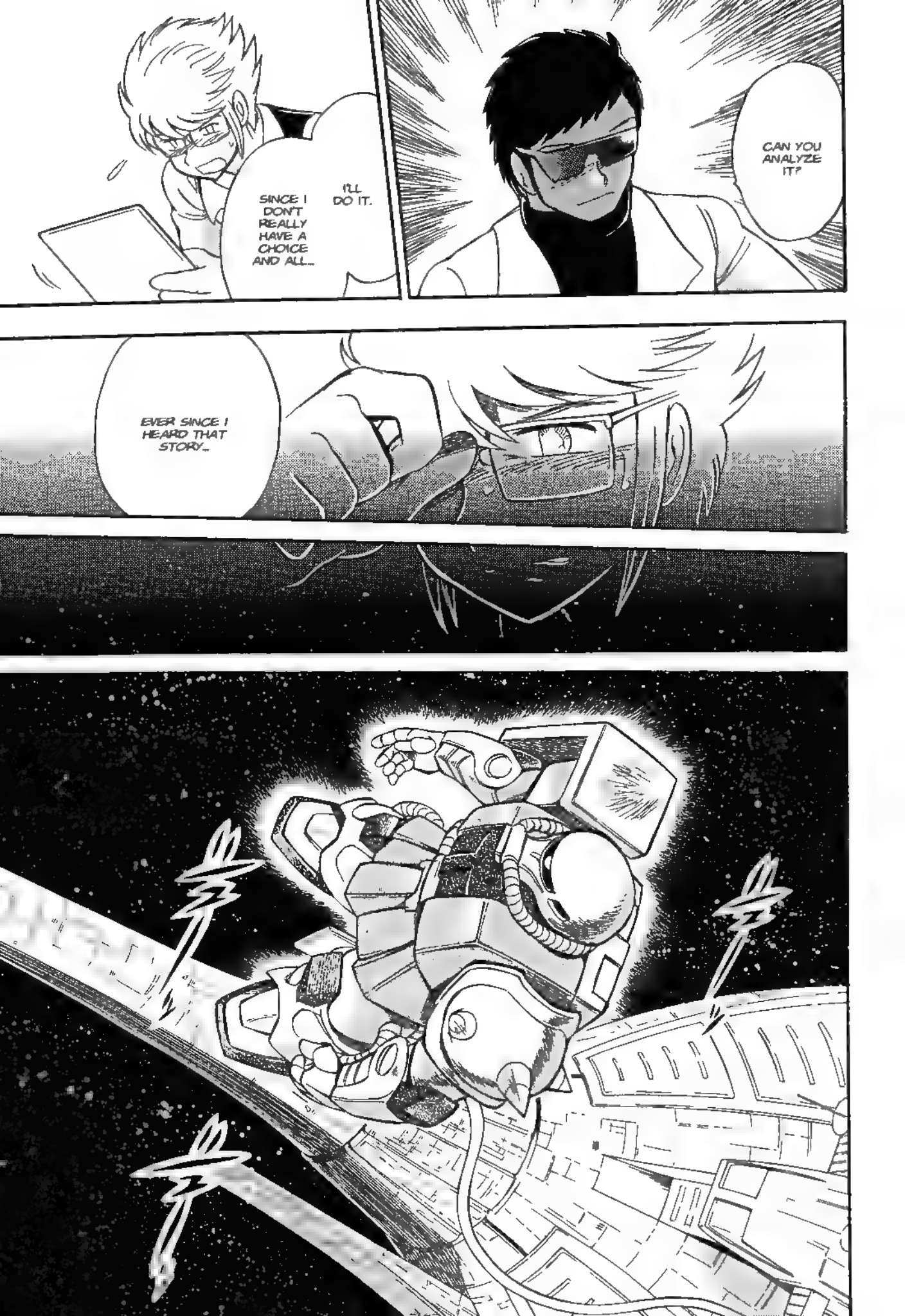
THAT'S EVERYTHING THAT'S HAPPENED UP TIL NOW

AFTERWARDS, WE DISCUSSED THE BEST OPTIONS AND MADE OUR MOVES.
I WOULD HEAD FOR THE EARTH SPHERE ON THE MANZANA FLOR...
LADY TETENITH WOULD RETURN TO JUPITER AS ORIGINALLY PLANNED ON THE ARGO.
THAT WAS TO CONFORM TO ELIN'S ACTIONS AND PREVENT THE HARD-LINERS ON JUPITER FROM MAKING A MOVE.
OUTER SPACE IS VAST AND OUR ARRIVAL AT OUR DESTINATIONS WOULD TAKE US ALMOST A YEAR.
BUT... DESPITE BEING THE FASTEST WAY...

THAT, AND WELL... THE PAPILLON WAS AN EXPERIMENTAL UNIT FOR HIGH SPEED TRAVEL.
WHICH WOULD ALLOW HIM TO ARRIVE IN THE EARTH SPHERE MORE THAN A MONTH AHEAD OF US.
WH--
HOLD ON A SEC!
SO WHAT ABOUT THE SPACE PATHOGEN?!
ARE YOU SAYING HE JUST HANDED IT OVER TO THE ZANSCARE EMPIRE ALREADY?!
SO THEN IT'S TOO LATE TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT...
THERE'S STILL SOMETHING WE CAN DO.
EVEN IF THE POSSIBILITY IS HIGH THAT THEY HAVE IT ALREADY
BUT...
THEY'RE STILL LOOKING FOR ANGEL CALL.

THOUGH I DON'T UNDERSTAND THE REASONS. SINCE THE PAPILLON HASN'T BEEN CAPTURED BY THE ZANSCARE YET...
THAT MEANS WE STILL HAVE A CHANCE!
THAT'S RIGHT. IT'S PROOF THEY HAVEN'T GOTTEN THEIR HANDS ON THE BACTERIA YET.
WHERE IS ANGEL CALL?!
LIKELY LIES IN YOUR HANDS!
SO... THEIR REASON AND LOCATION...
NOT YOU, THE DATA YOU'RE STORING!
THIS IS GREAT! HE CONSIDERS ME SUPER IMPORTANT! DID YOU HEAR?! I'M SUPER IMPORTANT!
WHAT ABOUT THAT THOUCUS UNIT?
OH... ONE MORE THING.

THEIR ACTIONS ARE LIKE A LOOSE CANNON...
WE CAN'T FIGURE THEM OUT. THEY'RE A DANGEROUS BUNCH.
IT LOOKS LIKE THEY'VE STARTED ACTING ON THEIR OWN.
WHILE THEIR NUMBERS ARE FEW, AS A UNIFIED BODY THEIR COMBAT STRENGTH IS POWERFUL.
THE EASIEST WAY TO EXPLAIN IT IS THE HARD-LINERS ON JUPITER.
THIS IS A CONFOUNDED TASK.
I SEE...
BUT WAIT, NO!
THE MANZANA FLOR WHO IS FOLLOWING IT, AND THE HARD-LINERS FROM JUPITER CALLED THOUCUS WHO ARE ATTEMPTING TO EXPLOIT ZANSCARE...
SO WE HAVE A THREE WAY STRUGGLE...
THERE'S A SHIP LOADED WITH A SPACE BACTERIA THAT CAN BRING ABOUT DEATH IF THEY SO WISH...
THERE COULD BE MORE IF THE EXISTENCE OF THE BACTERIA IS DISCOVERED!
MANZANA FLOR
ZANSCARE
THOU-CUS


CAN YOU ANALYZE IT?
I'LL DO IT.
SINCE I DON'T REALLY HAVE A CHOICE AND ALL...
EVER SINCE I HEARD THAT STORY...

WELL THIS SHIP IS A RESEARCH ESTABLISHMENT AND NOT AN ARMED FORCES...
THEY'RE LETTING HIM DO AS HE PLEASES?
BESIDES, IT'S NOT LIKE HE CAN RUN AWAY
OH!
THAT'S FONT! HE'S OUT THERE ANALYZING THE DATA SINCE HE GETS DISTRACTED.
HUH? WHAT'S THAT ZAKU DOING OUT THERE?
INSTEAD OF "I CAN DO IT!"
GAH, DANG IT!
I SHOULD HAVE TOLD HIM "I'LL TRY"...
I WONDER IF I CAN RUN AWAY LIKE THIS?
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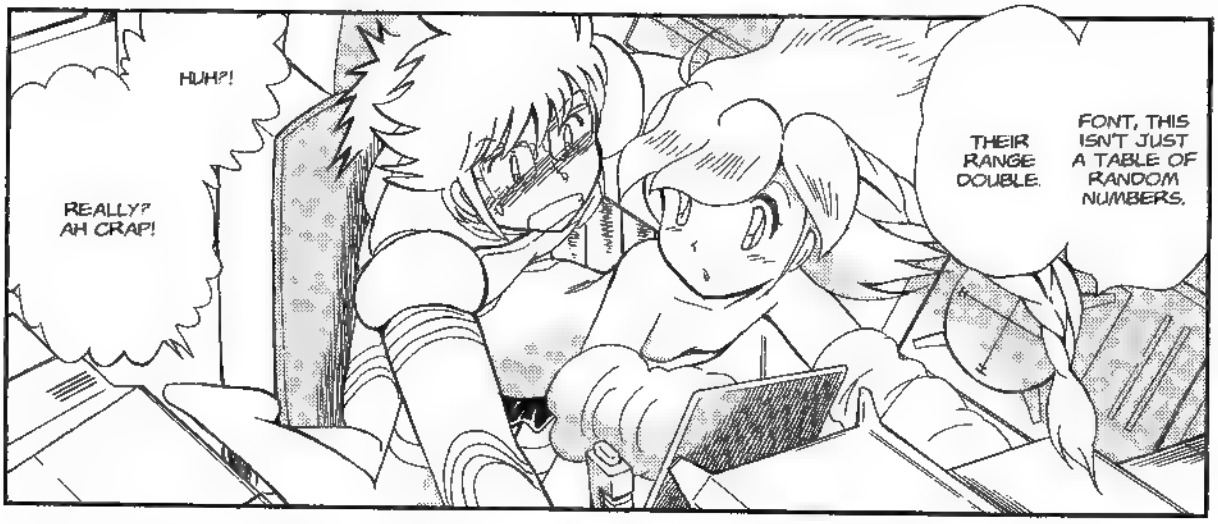
WHAT WAS I THINKING?
AND SO...
THE FATE OF MANKIND RESTS ON MY SHOULDERS...
MASTER! FONT!
HUH?

B-BELLE?!
I HID INSIDE!
HOW?!
YOU LITTLE STOWAWAY!
ARGH!!
FONT!
I WONDERED WHY THEY BROUGHT A CHILD ALONG.
AH HA!
I WANTED TO SEE THE EARTH SO I SNUCK BACK ON THE SHIP!
TRUTH IS, I WAS SUPPOSED TO RETURN TO JUPITER WITH MY MOTHER
IT'S MY SPECIALTY!

IT'S NOT EXACTLY CHILD'S PLAY YA KNOW?
I CAME TO HELP!
SO, UH, WHAT'RE YOU DOING HERE?


HUH?!
REALLY? AH CRAP!
THEIR RANGE DOUBLE.
FONT, THIS ISN'T JUST A TABLE OF RANDOM NUMBERS.

OH, SORRY! IT'S NOTHING!
WHY ARE YOU GIVING ME SUCH A WEIRD LOOK?
WHAT?
HUH?
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I THINK IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE JUST A CHILD AND EVERYTHING...
HOW DO I PUT IT...
ASIDE FROM ME, I DIDN'T THINK YOU COULD DO IT...

IT'S A PART OF THE SEPARATION-INDIVIDUATION PHASE, THAT'S ALL!
IT'S JUST A COMFORT TOOL!
WH-
I MEAN LOOK AT YOU, YOU'RE HOLDING A RABBIT.

*Disruptions in the fundamental process of separation-individuation can result in a disturbance in the ability to maintain a reliable sense of individual identity in adulthood

SO NATURALLY SHE'S INDIFFERENT TOWARDS A LOT OF STUFF
SORRY, GUESS I FORGOT ABOUT THAT.
NOW I DID IT. I HAD FORGOTTEN SHE WAS RAISED IN OUTER SPACE...

DUH..
...OR SO I'M TOLD...
YOU KNOW, I HAVE A FRIEND THAT COLLECTS DOLLS.
REALLY?!
WELL HE BUYS ALL THE FIGURES HE CAN GET HIS HANDS ON, REALLY...
EVEN THOUGH IT ISN'T AN UNUSUAL HOBBY NOWADAYS...

OKAY!
HUH?
I'M SHORT-HANDED AFTER ALL!
DUH DUH DUH
SO, UH.. LET'S GET STARTED SHALL WE?

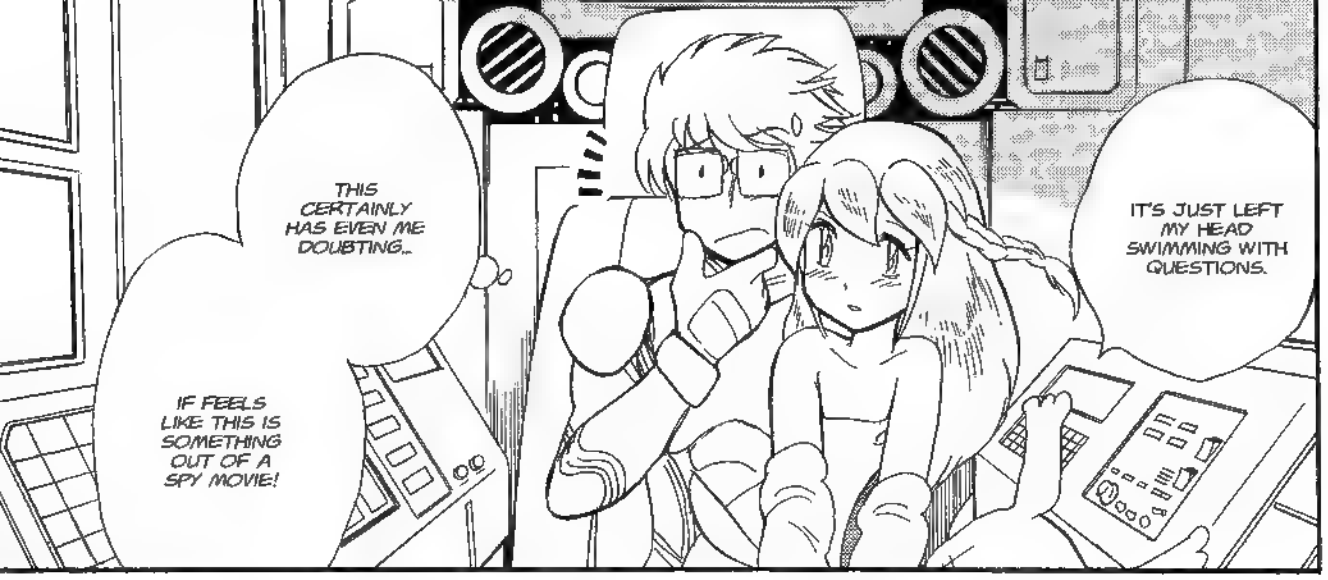
I HAVE NO ULTERIOR MOTIVES, SO WE'RE GOOD!
WEL THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEAN!
SHE'S FAR TOO YOUNG FOR ME!

YOU GET THE DEATH PENALTY FOR MAKING A PASS AT THAT CHILD! DEATH!
NO, NO... THERE'S NO NEED TO WORRY...
WHILE I DO THINK SHE'S CUTE AND ALL...

WELL, YOU SEE...
UM, FONT..
I DIDN'T REALLY COME TO HELP...

WELL
UH
JM
THERE'S SOMETHING..
I WANT TO ASK YOU!
WHAT IS IT? ASK AWAY!
UM...
FONT...
DO YOU THINK CURTIS IS MY FATHER?
AND I'M TOLD HE DIED IN AN ACCIDENT.
I'M TOLD MY FATHER IS THE MAN IN THIS PICTURE...
UM...
HUH?

SHALL I ANALYZE IT?
HM... I SUPPOSE YOU COULD WORK BACKWARDS FROM A CHILD'S FACE AND ALL...
THERE NO POINT EVEN IF IT WAS COMPUTER GENERATED IT'S FLAWLESS.
IT'S NOT CG?
BUT..
I'VE ALWAYS WONDERED IF MR. CURTIS WAS MY REAL FATHER OR NOT
SHE LAUGHS IT OFF CALLING IT NONSENSE.
WHEN I TRY ASKING MY MOTHER...
EVEN THOUGH WE DON'T LOOK ALIKE...
YEAH... THAT BROADCAST ON THE SHIP...
YOU MEAN THAT MR. CURTIS IS REALLY SOMEONE ELSE?
ELIN SAID BACK THEN WAS TRUE!
BUT WHAT IF...


THIS CERTAINLY HAS EVEN ME DOUBTING...
IF FEELS LIKE THIS IS SOMETHING OUT OF A SPY MOVIE!
IT'S JUST LEFT MY HEAD SWIMMING WITH QUESTIONS.

BUT, IF THAT'S THE CASE...
AND DON'T YOU THINK IT'S STRANGE WE DON'T LOOK ALIKE?

YEAH..

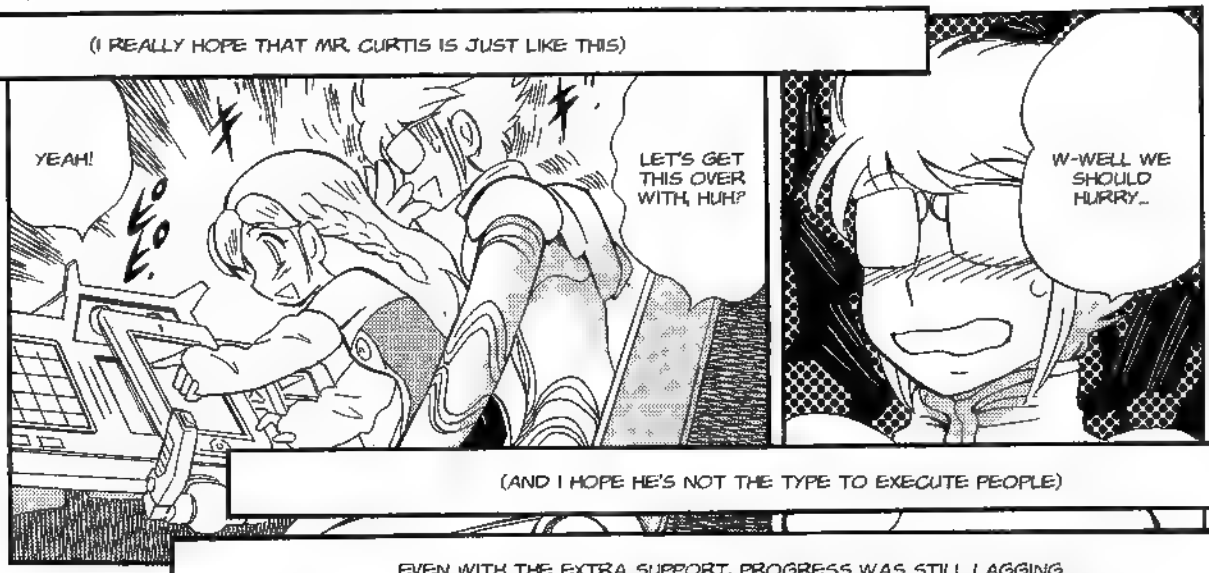
FONT!
SO IF YOU LEARN SOMETHING ABOUT HIM, TELL ME!

I MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO BE TOLD THE TRUTH BECAUSE OF THAT
IF HE REALLY IS A TRAITOR TO JUPITER...

I'M YOUR FIRST FRIEND AFTER ALL, RIGHT?
RIGHT!
I JUST WANT TO KNOW THE TRUTH.
GOT IT!
I PROMISE!
HOW DO I PUT THIS?
ALTHOUGH IT'S ONLY BEEN A LITTLE WHILE...
SINCE I FIRST MET MR. CURTIS...
I HAD TO PUT HER MIND AT EASE...
EVEN IF IT WAS SPUR OF THE MOMENT
EVEN IF HE IS HIDING SOMETHING.
IT'S BETTER TO PUT OUR TRUST IN HIM.
WHO WOULD LIE TO BENEFIT HIMSELF.
I DON'T THINK HE'S THE TYPE OF PERSON...

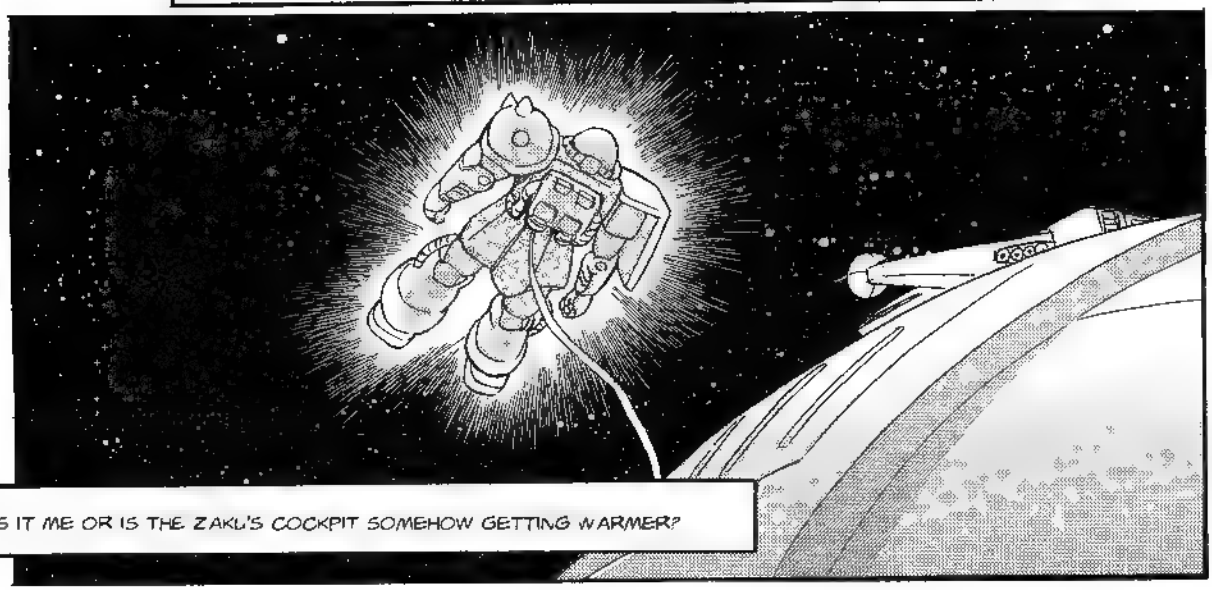
A GENUINE SMILE CAME BACK TO HER FACE.

(I REALLY HOPE THAT MR. CURTIS IS JUST LIKE THIS)



(AND I HOPE HE'S NOT THE TYPE TO EXECUTE PEOPLE)

EVEN WITH THE EXTRA SUPPORT, PROGRESS WAS STILL LAGGING..



AND IS IT ME OR IS THE ZAKU'S COCKPIT SOMEHOW GETTING WARMER?

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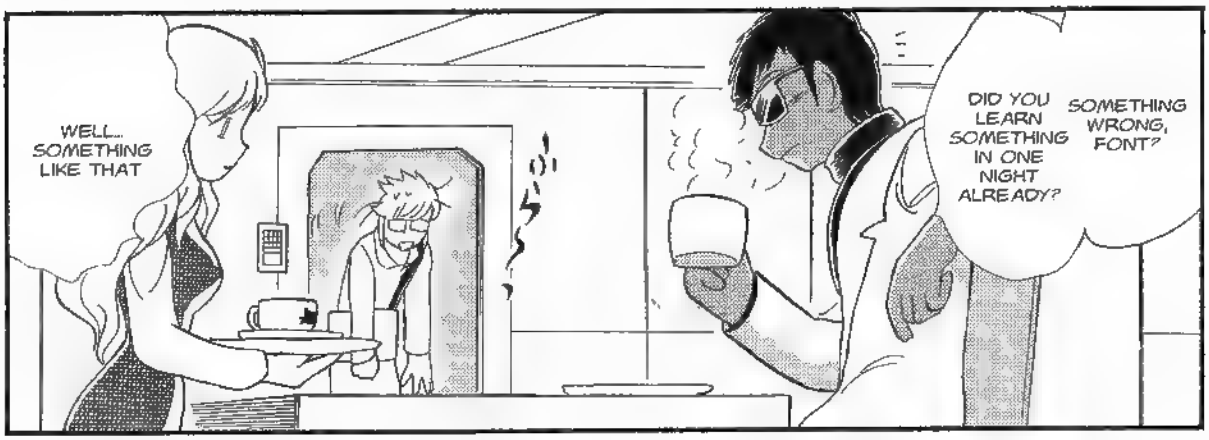
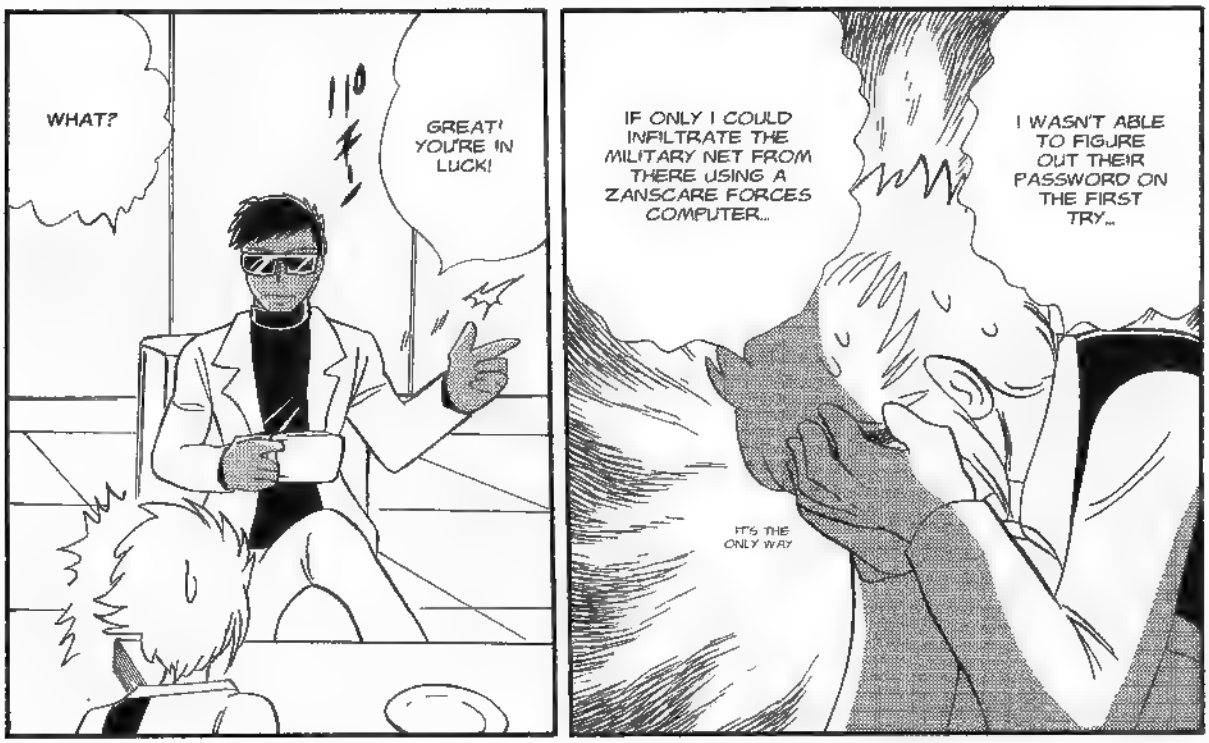

WELL... SOMETHING LIKE THAT
DID YOU LEARN SOMETHING IN ONE NIGHT ALREADY?
SOMETHING WRONG, FONT?


WHAT?
GREAT! YOU'RE IN LUCK!
IF ONLY I COULD INFILTRATE THE MILITARY NET FROM THERE USING A ZANSCARE FORCES COMPUTER..
I WASN'T ABLE TO FIGURE OUT THEIR PASSWORD ON THE FIRST TRY...
IT'S THE ONLY WAY

IS GOING TO MAKE CONTACT WITH A CERTAIN ZANSCARE UNIT ON THE MOON.
OUR INTEL NETWORK CAUGHT WIND OF THIS.
T SEEMS THAT THOUGUS...
HUH?
WHAT?
THEY'LL EVEN GO SO FAR AS TO JOIN FORCES IF NECESSARY
LIKE I SAID, THEY'RE AN UNPREDICTABLE BUNCH.
HAVEN'T THEY BEEN FIGHTING ONE ANOTHER ALL THIS TIME?
SINCE WHEN DID THEY BECOME BEST BUDS?
THEN WHAT? WE THROW A PARTY WITH THEM?
UM... WELL...
THE POINT I'M TRYING TO MAKE IS THAT IF WE GO THERE, WE'LL CONFIRM THAT A ZANSCARE SHIP IS PRESENT
WE'RE COLLECTING SOMETHING!

NOW WE'RE ON THE OFFENSIVE!

FROM THIS POINT FORWARD...
WE'RE THE REBORN CROSSBONE VANGUARD!

IN THE END, THERE WERE EIGHT PEOPLE WHO DECLARED THEY COULD NOT AGREE TO THE ACTIONS OF THE MANZANA FLOR.
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WHAT YOU ASK?
WE'LL DO JUST AS PROMISED!
WHAT SHALL WE DO C/MDR CURTIS?
LET US GET THIS MEETING UNDERWAY
LEADER OF THIS OPERATION WILL BE CURTIS ROTHKO
BUT..
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THEY'RE LIKELY BE USEFUL LATER ON!
TREAT THEM WELL!
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ON THE DICTATORAL REGIME ON JUPITER ARE VALUBLE INDIVIDUALS.
THOSE WHO CAN CLEARLY GIVE THEIR OPINION..

I CAN'T PROVE THAT I MYSELF...
AM CURTIS ROTHKO.
DON'T WORRY.
SINCE THE INCIDENT WITH ELIN ONE YEAR AGO, I'VE LEARNED THAT THERE ARE THOSE OF YOU WITH DOUBTS.
HOWEVER, SINCE THERE'S NO WAY TO PROVE IT...
I INTEND TO MERELY CONTINUE WORKING QUIETLY...
FOR JUPITER AS I HAVE UNTIL NOW.
I HAVE NO QUALMS IF SOME OF YOU FIND YOURSELVES UNABLE TO TRUST ME.
SHOULD THAT BE THE CASE, SHOOT ME ON YOUR OWN SUSPICIONS AND CONSCIENCE
SO ARE WE GOOD?

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THAT'S JUST FINE! QUITE THE STORY THERE, MR. CURTIS, YOU HAD ME GOING THERE
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I'LL BE THE FIRST TO PUT A HOLE RIGHT THROUGH YA!
GOT THAT, YA YUPPIE!
IT'LL BE ME, I'LL TAKE CHARGE OF THE BATARA TEAM!
IN THE ONE AND A MILLION CHANCE COMES UP THAT YOU'RE A TRAITOR..
EH? YOU'VE GOT NO RIGHT TO THANK ME, BUB!
YOU SAVED MY ASS THERE, BILL.
SO UNTIL OUR COMMANDER MAKES AN APPEARANCE, THINGS WILL GO MY WAY, GOT IT?!
I'M NUMBER ONE AROUND HERE!

YOU'RE MINE UNTIL YOU PROVE OTHERWISE!
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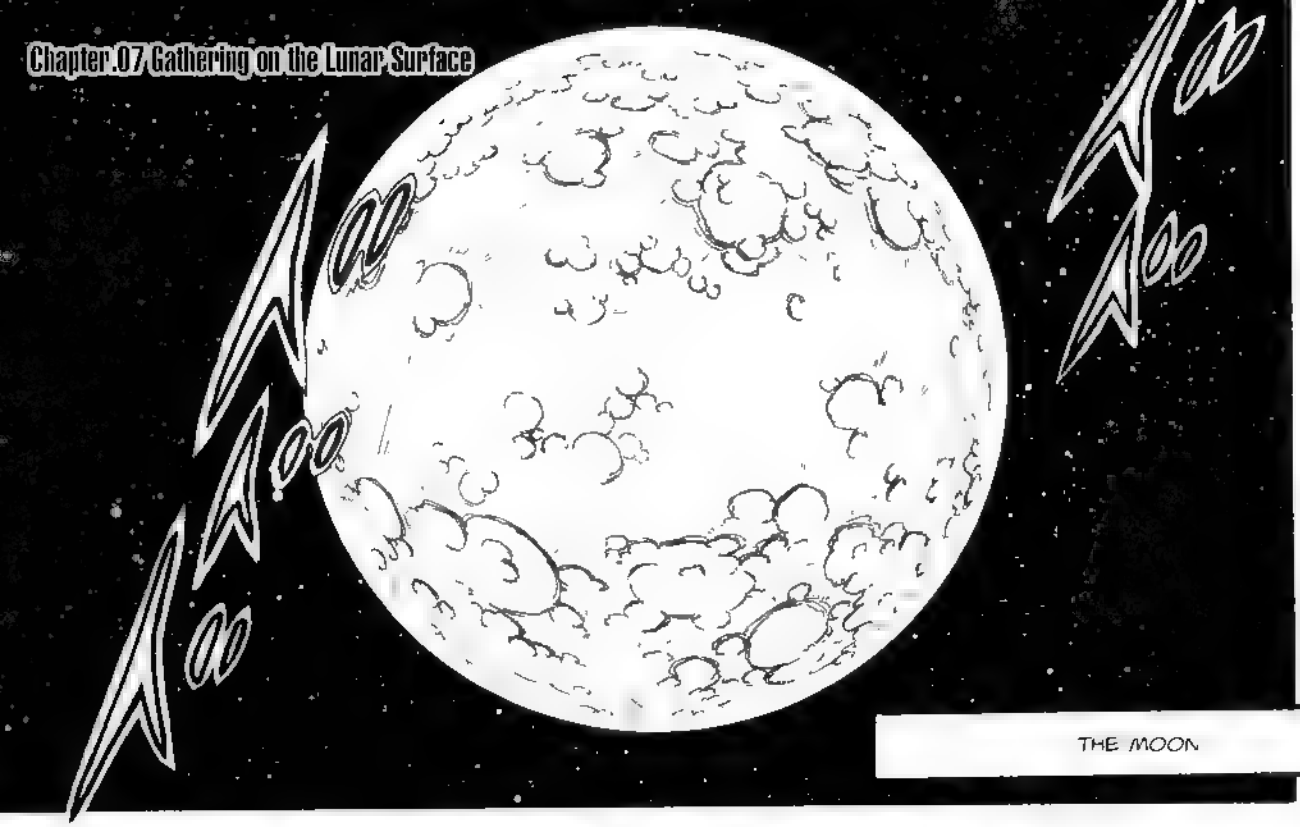
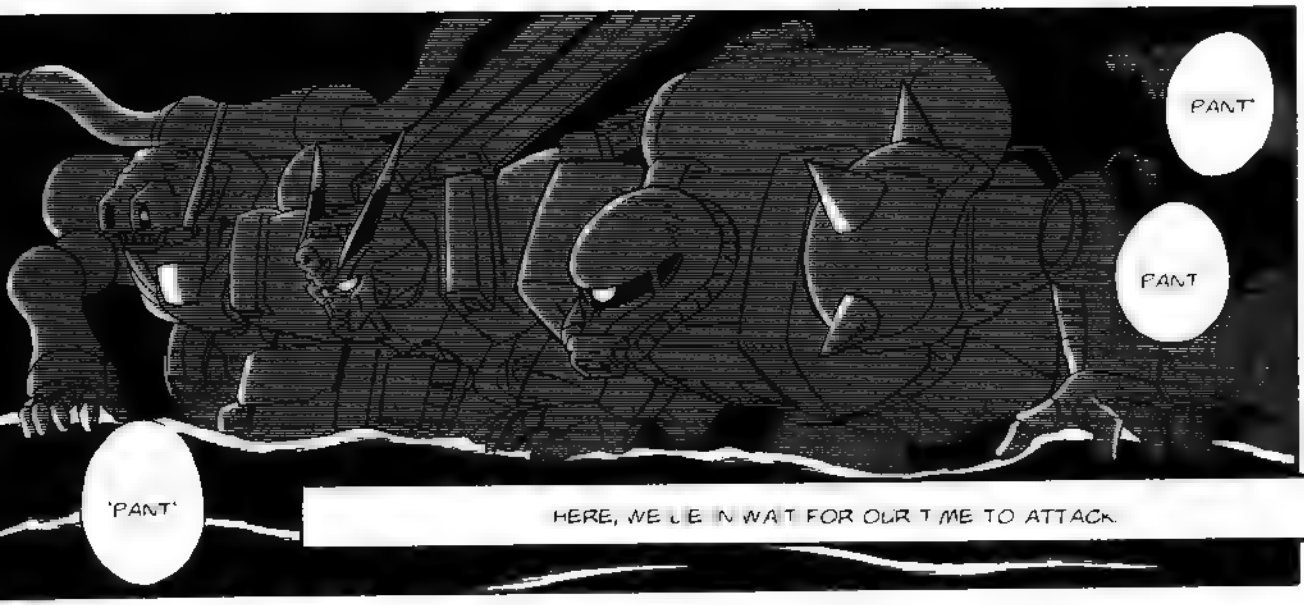
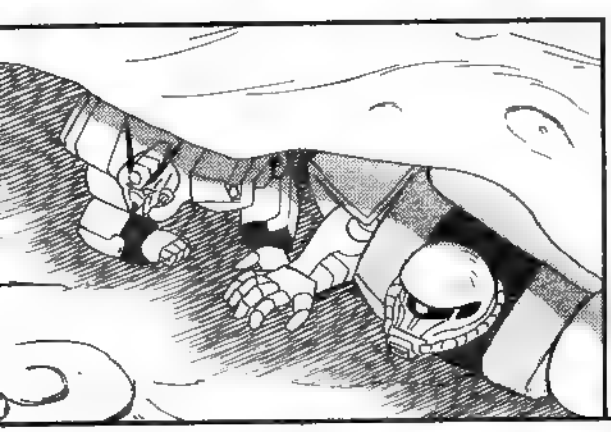
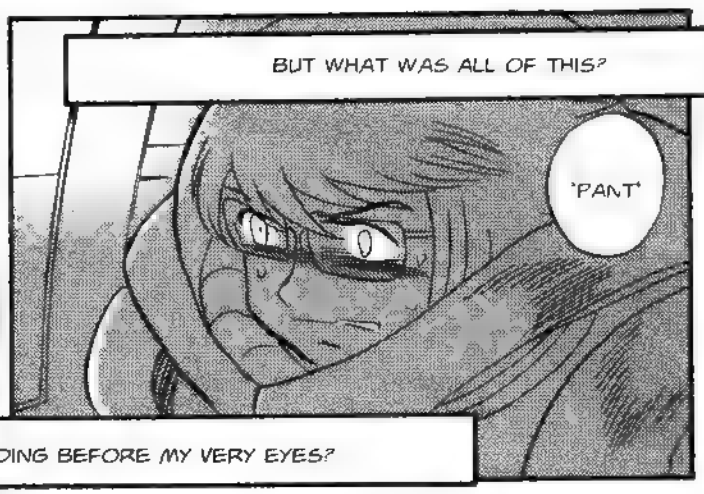
AND THIS IS HOW HE HELD THE TEAM TOGETHER BEFORE THE OPERATION.
LISTEN UP! IF I SUSPECT ANYTHING, I'LL REALLY DO IT!
YEAH.
YOU'VE GOT A GREAT CREW
IT'S POSSIBLE TO BRING THEM ALL BACK.
BUT I'M NOT CERTAIN...
AT THAT POINT, I DON'T THINK I UNDERSTOOD ANYTHING.
SEEMED TO HAVE MORE MEANING TO IT.
AT THAT POINT WHAT MR. CURTIS SAID...

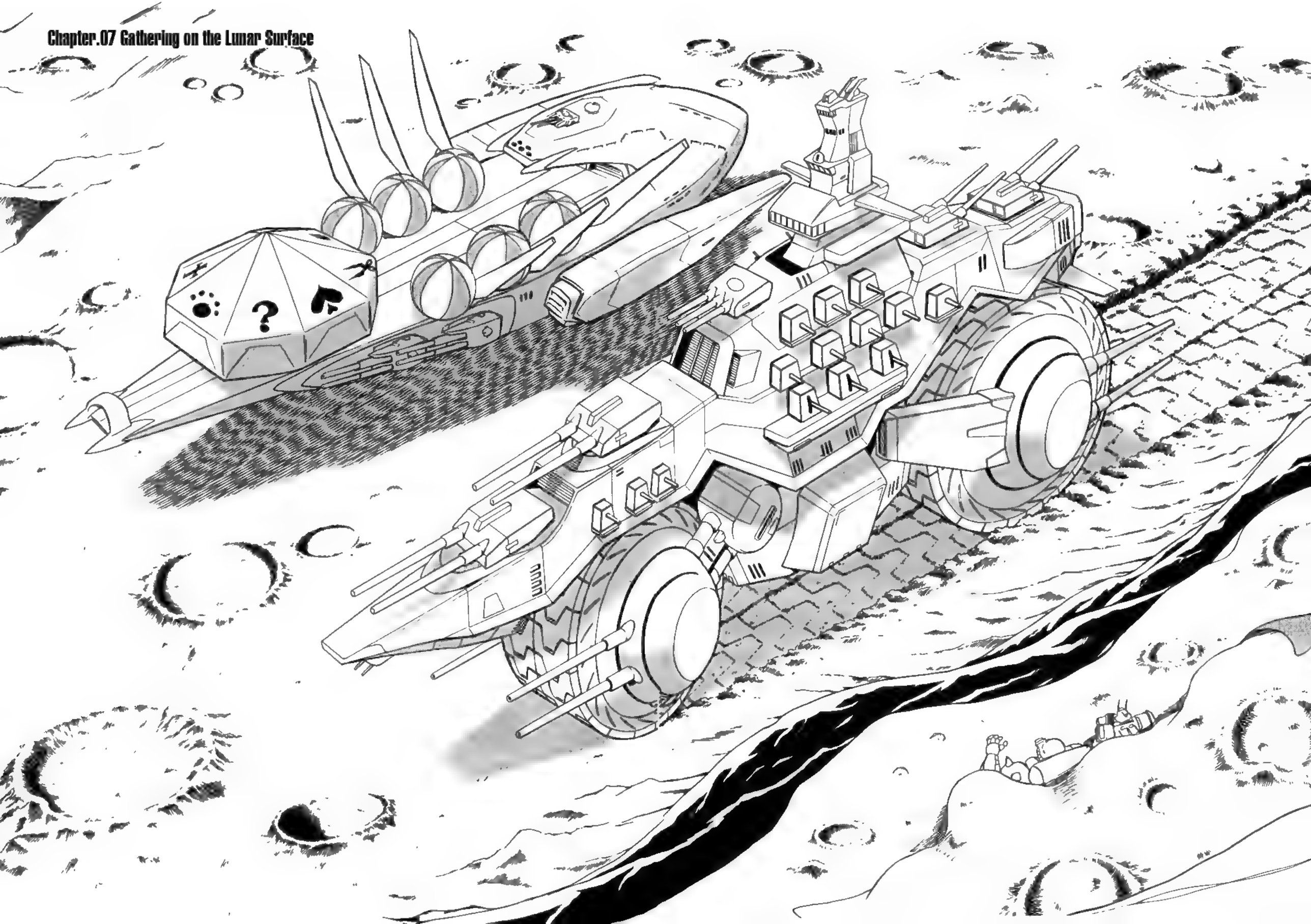


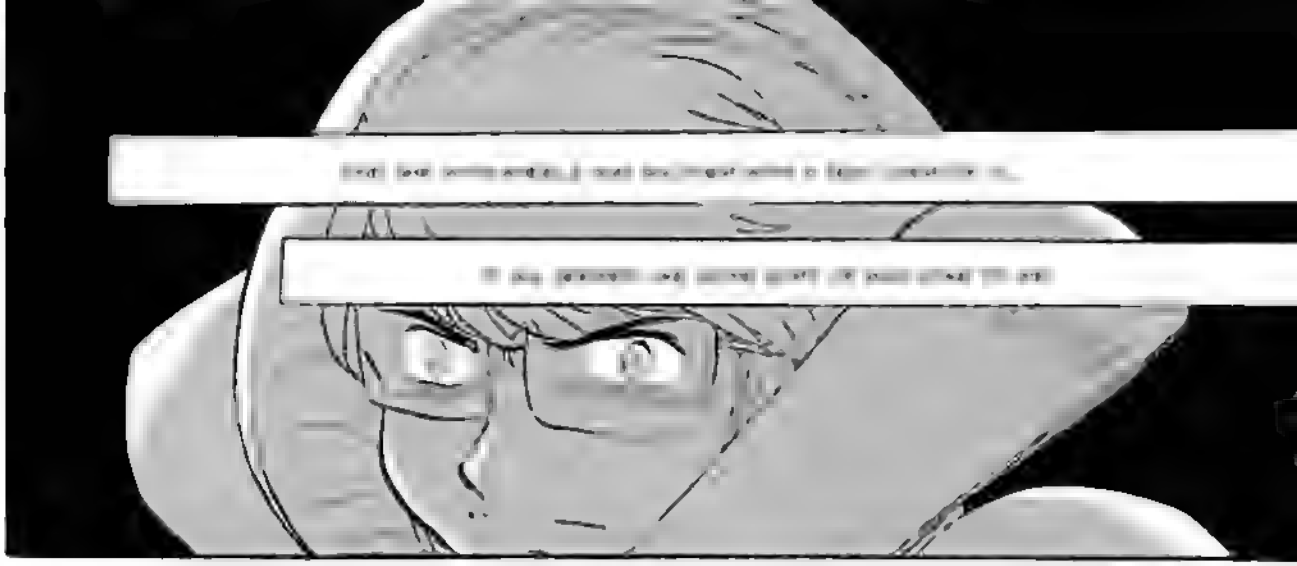


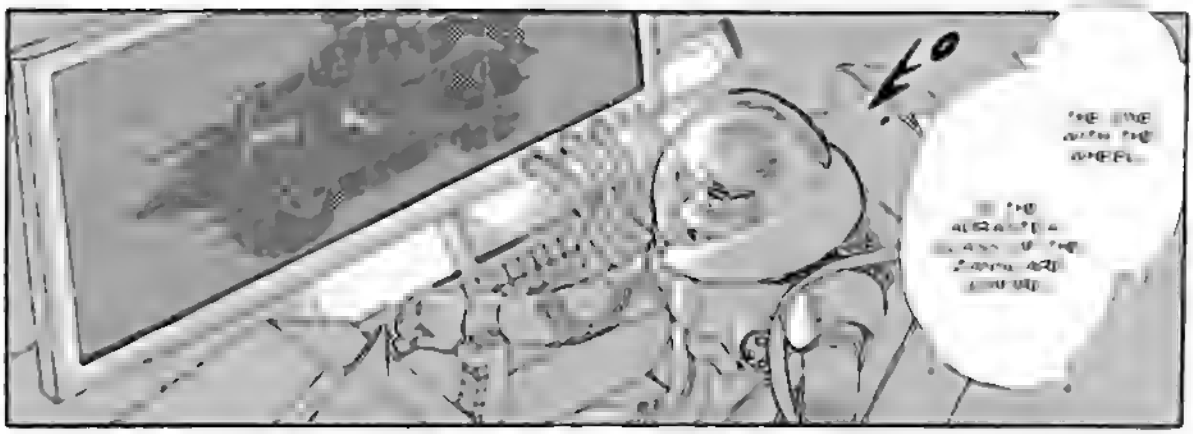


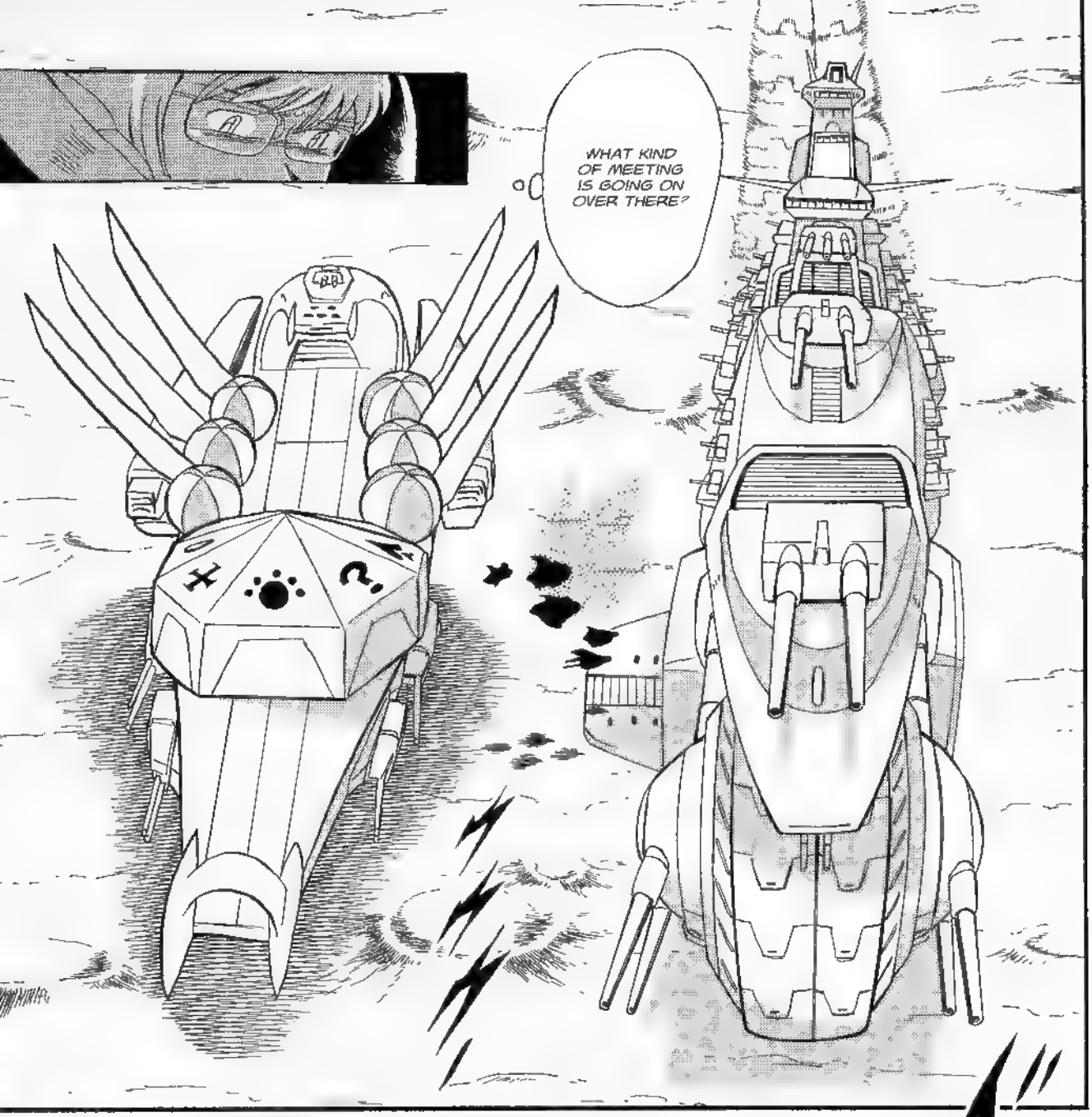


WHAT THE HELL WAS THIS SPECTACLE UNFOLDING BEFORE MY VERY EYES?



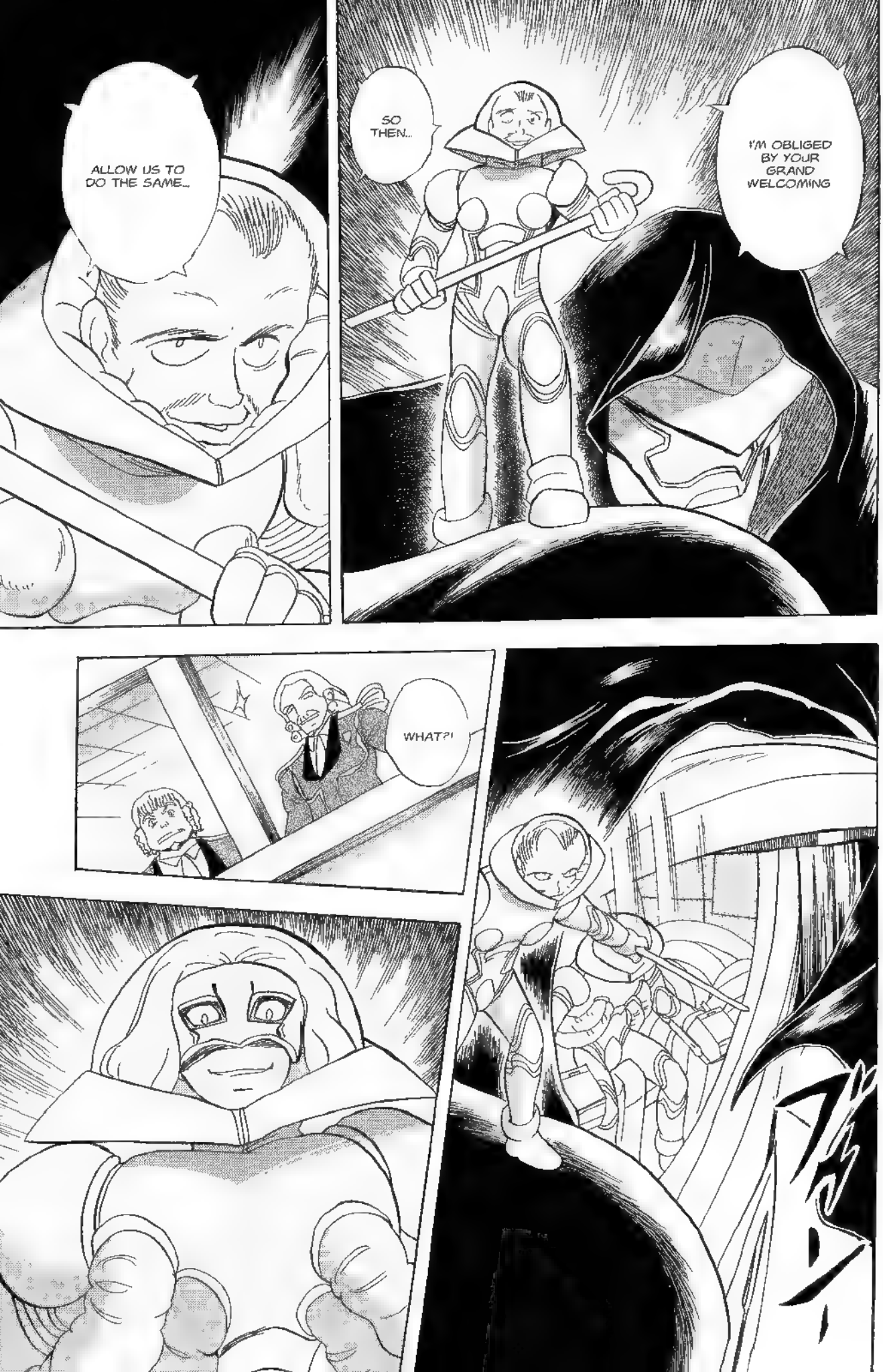





WHAT KIND OF MEETING IS GOING ON OVER THERE?

WHAT'S THIS?

MY, MY...


ALLOW US TO DO THE SAME...
SO THEN...
I'M OBLIGED BY YOUR GRAND WELCOMING
WHAT?!

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THEY'VE OPENED THEIR COCKPIT HATCHES?!
AND WHAT'S THAT?

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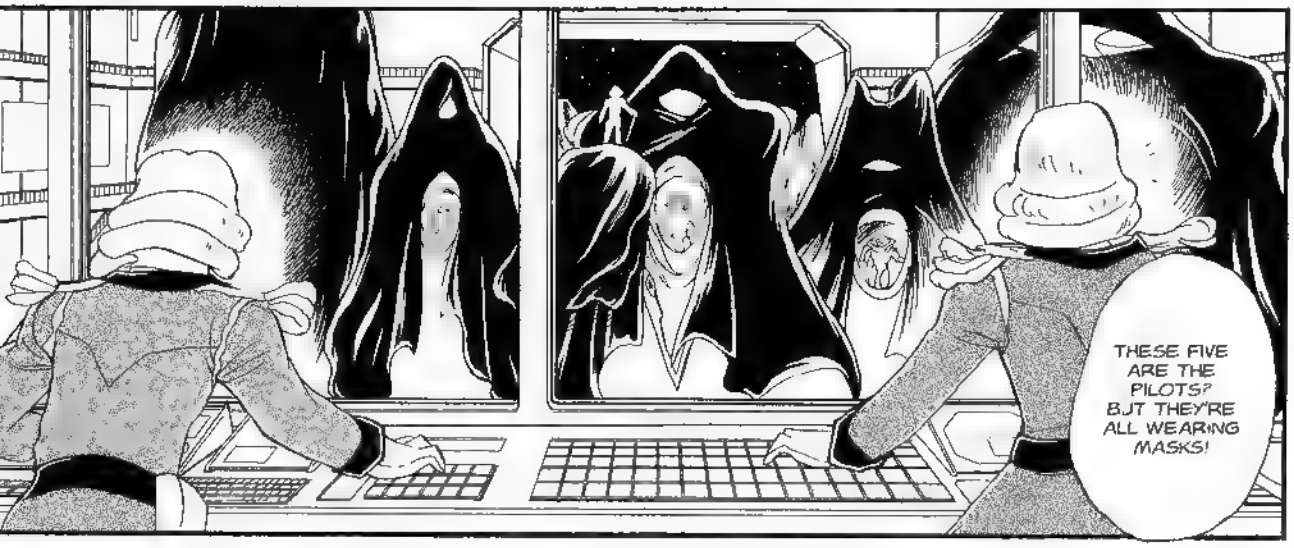
THESE FIVE ARE THE PILOTS? BUT THEY'RE ALL WEARING MASKS!

PLEASE FORGIVE ME FOR HIDING THEIR FACES.
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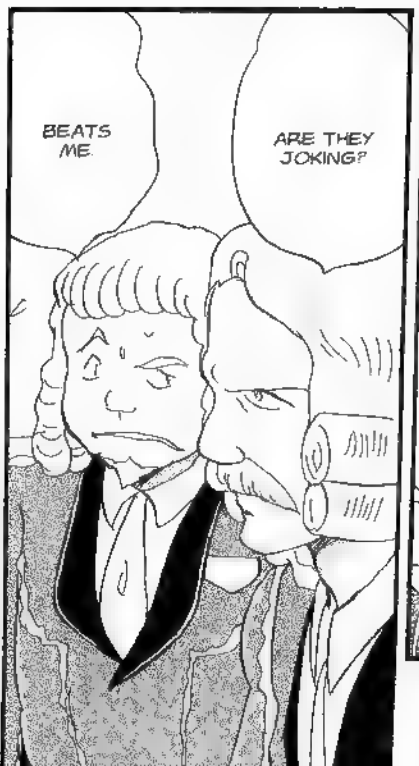
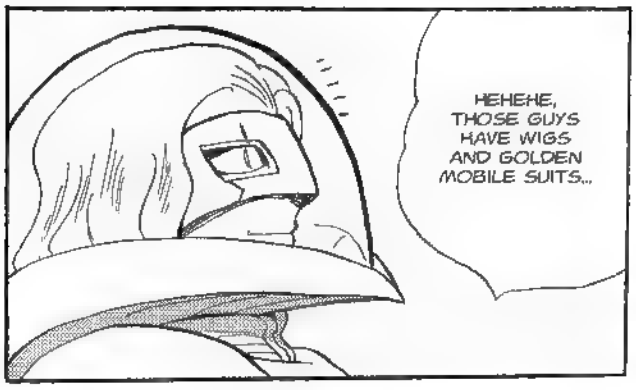
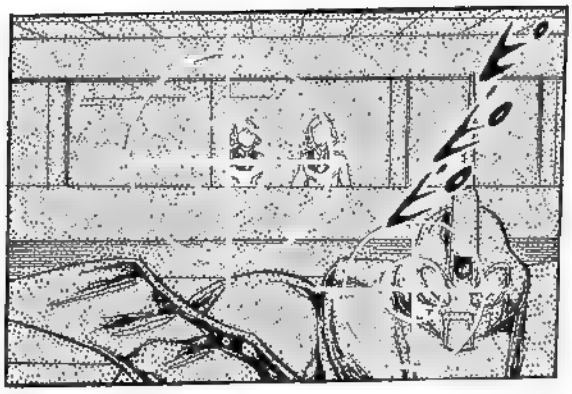
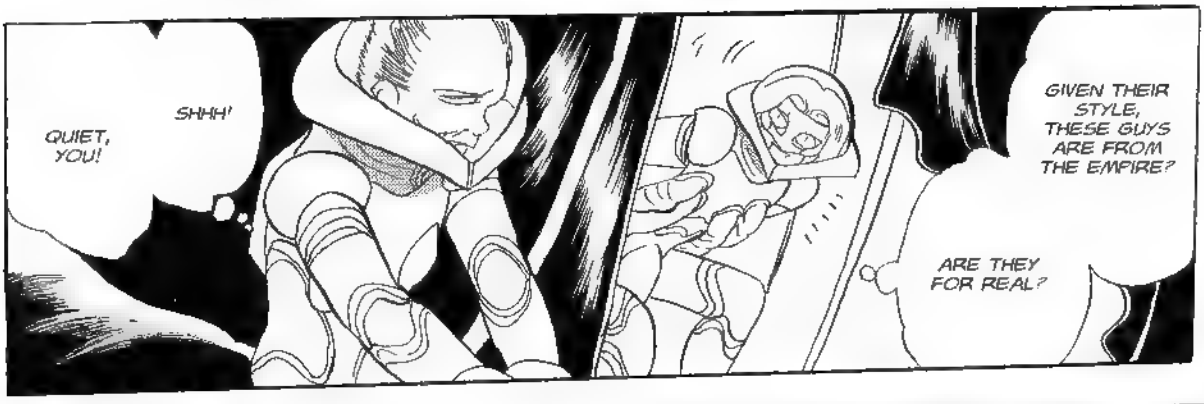

BEATS ME.
ARE THEY JOKING?

WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS!
WHAT'RE THEY PLANNING?

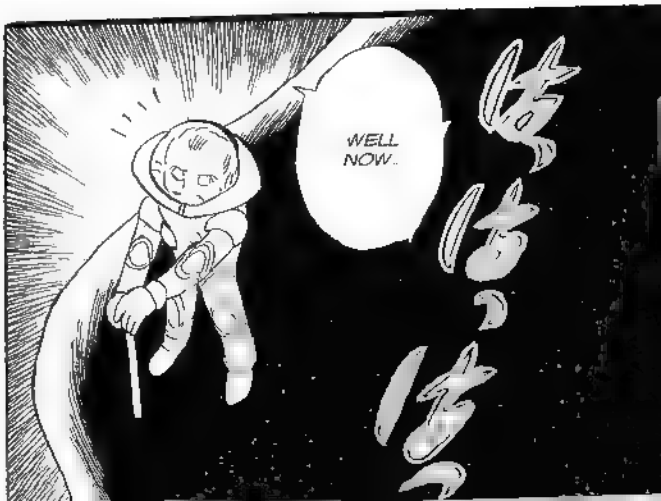
YOU SEE, THEY'VE ALL BEEN BRANDED AS CRIMINALS.


HEHEHE, THOSE GUYS HAVE WIGS AND GOLDEN MOBILE SUITS...




SHHH!
QUIET, YOU!
GIVEN THEIR STYLE, THESE GUYS ARE FROM THE EMPIRE?
ARE THEY FOR REAL?

I ADMIRE YOUR COURAGE!
EVEN THOUGH THERE'S A GUN POINTED AT YOU, YOU'LL SHOW YOURSELVES.

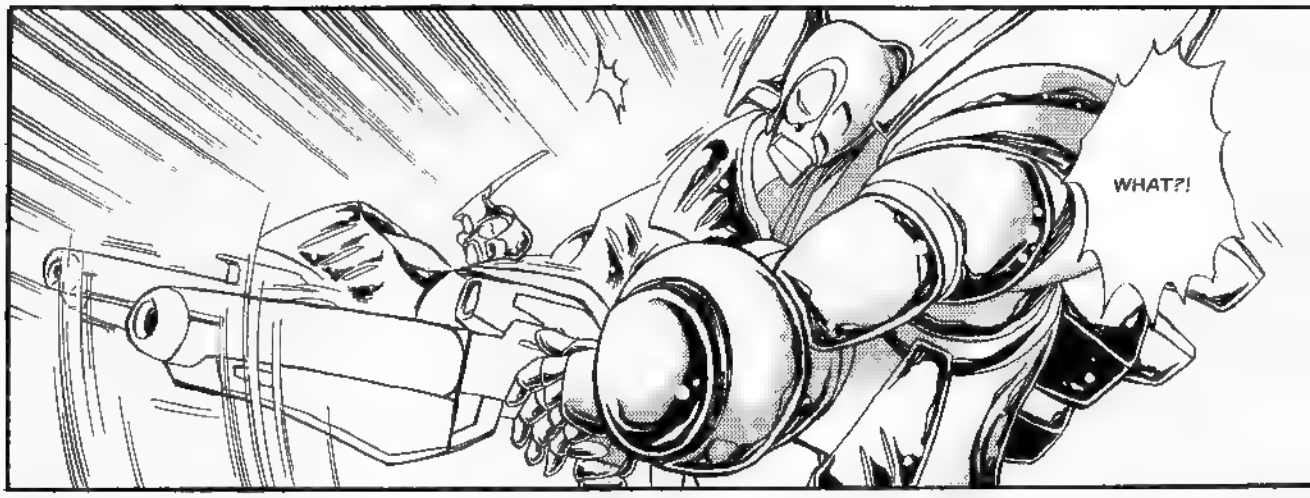

WELL NOW..

VICE ADMIRAL KIZO
I AM KIZO, COMMANDER OF THESE FORCES.

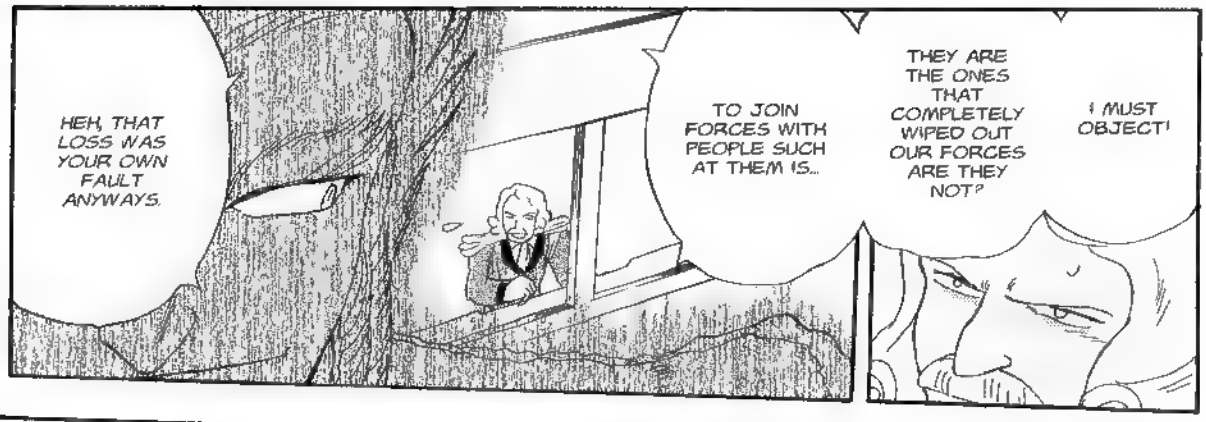
ALTHOUGH I FEEL THE BASICS FOR BUSINESS IS TRUST...
AS FOR WHY WE HAVE COME BEFORE YOU...
THAT IS TO SAY...

I AM THE "BOSS" OF THOUCUS, QUO GRAY
A HOLO PROJECTION?
SO HE'S NOT HERE?

WE WOULDN'T BE THE LEAST BIT BOTHERED.
EVEN IF YOU WERE TO ATTACK US FROM THIS POINT FORWARD.
HEH HEH HEH


WHAT?!

THAT'S ENOUGH YOU CLOWNS!
B-BUT ADMIRAL!


I MUST OBJECT!
THEY ARE THE ONES THAT COMPLETELY WIPED OUT OUR FORCES ARE THEY NOT?
TO JOIN FORCES WITH PEOPLE SUCH AT THEM IS...
HEH, THAT LOSS WAS YOUR OWN FAULT ANYWAYS.

I DON'T TROUBLE MYSELF WITH THOSE THAT ARE OF NO USE TO ME
VERY WELL THEN, I'LL GET STRAIGHT TO THE POINT

A WARRIOR UNIT IS NECESSARY..
FROM NOW ON IN THESE WARRING STATES PERIOD OF OUTER SPACE
FROM THE START, COLONY STATES LACKED THE STRENGTH TO CARRY OUT MATERIAL WARFARE AMONGST ONE ANOTHER
QUALITY RATHER THAN QUANTITY IS NEEDED IN ORDER TO SURVIVE THESE CONFLICTS THAT IS WHY AN EXTREMELY POWERFUL MOBILE SUIT THAT CAN SHOWCASE SUPERB MILITARY GAINS AT A FRACTION OF THE COST IS TANTAMOUNT
AND WE POSSESS THAT!

OUR DESIRE IS MERELY TO GIVE IT AN HONEST ASSESSMENT..
AND A STAGE IN WHICH IT MAY FIGHT
FOR YOU SEE, ON JUPITER..
UNDER THAT PACIFIST LASS..
IT WAS KEPT AT BAY AND NEVER GIVEN A CHANCE TO SHOW ITS WORTH.

FOR NOW THAT IS..
NO, NO, NOT AT ALL WE ASK FOR NOTHING ELSE.
IN FACT, ANGEL CALL IS OF NO CONCERN TO US WHATSOEVER.
THAT WHICH HAS BEEN GIVEN THE NAME THOUSANT CUSTOM!
THEN IF THE CONTRACT SUITS YOU...
SHALL I GIVE YOU THIS?
SO YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME?
SEEMS A BIT FAR FETCHED IF YOU ASK ME
YOU DRIVE A HARD BARGIN...
BUT THIS ONE VERSUS A THOUSAND STUFF...
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I DON'T KNOW..
WHOA!

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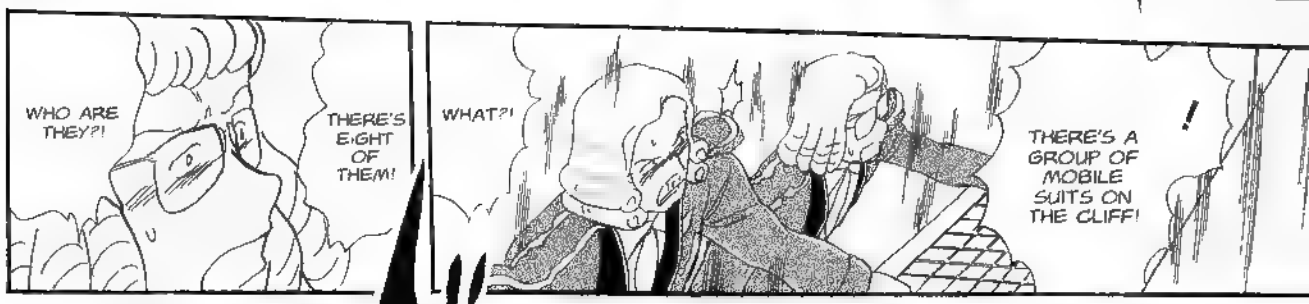
THE SOIL IS SURGING OVER US!!


WHO ARE THEY?!
THERE'S EIGHT OF THEM!
WHAT?!
THERE'S A GROUP OF MOBILE SUITS ON THE CLIFF!
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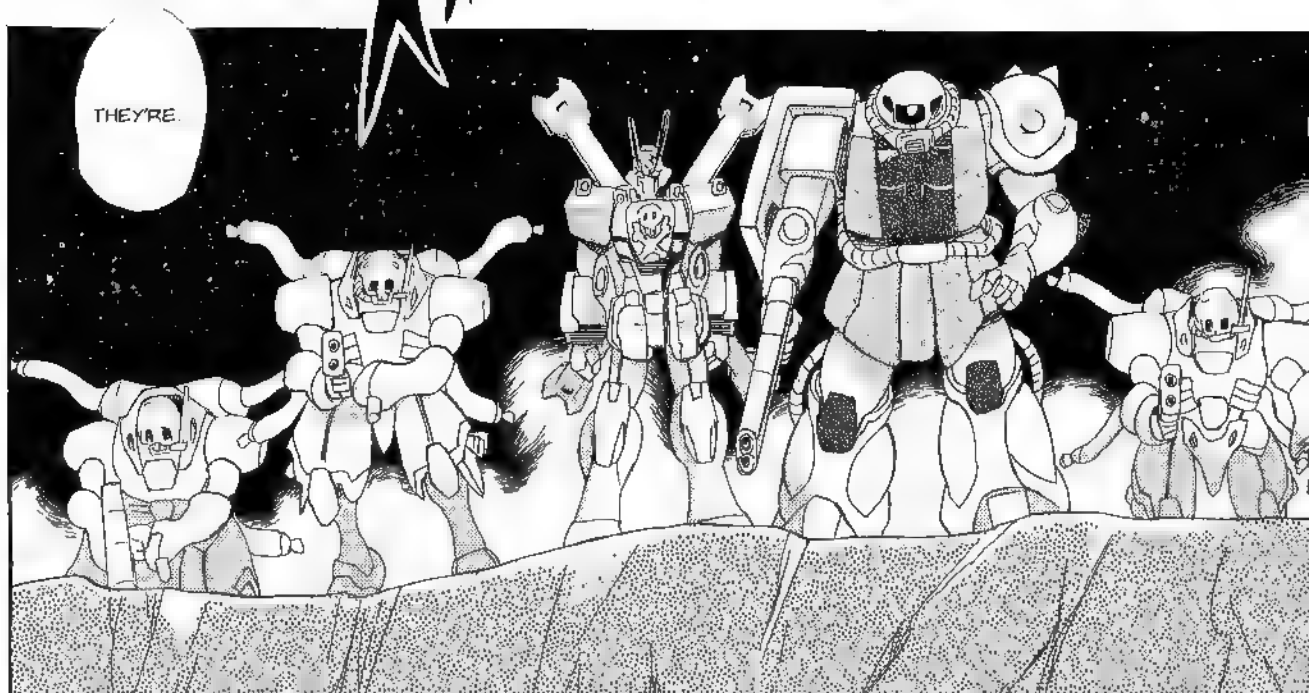
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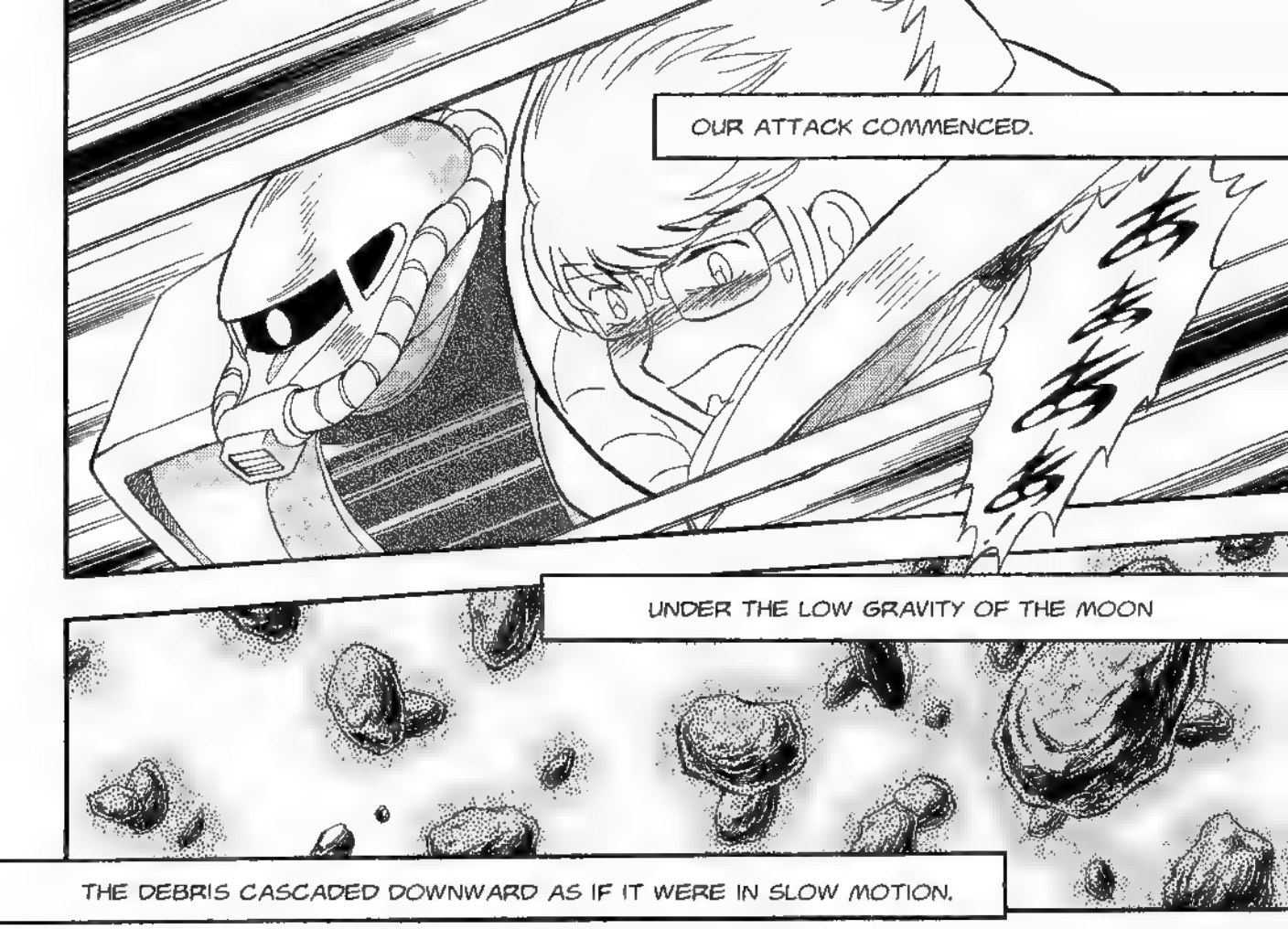
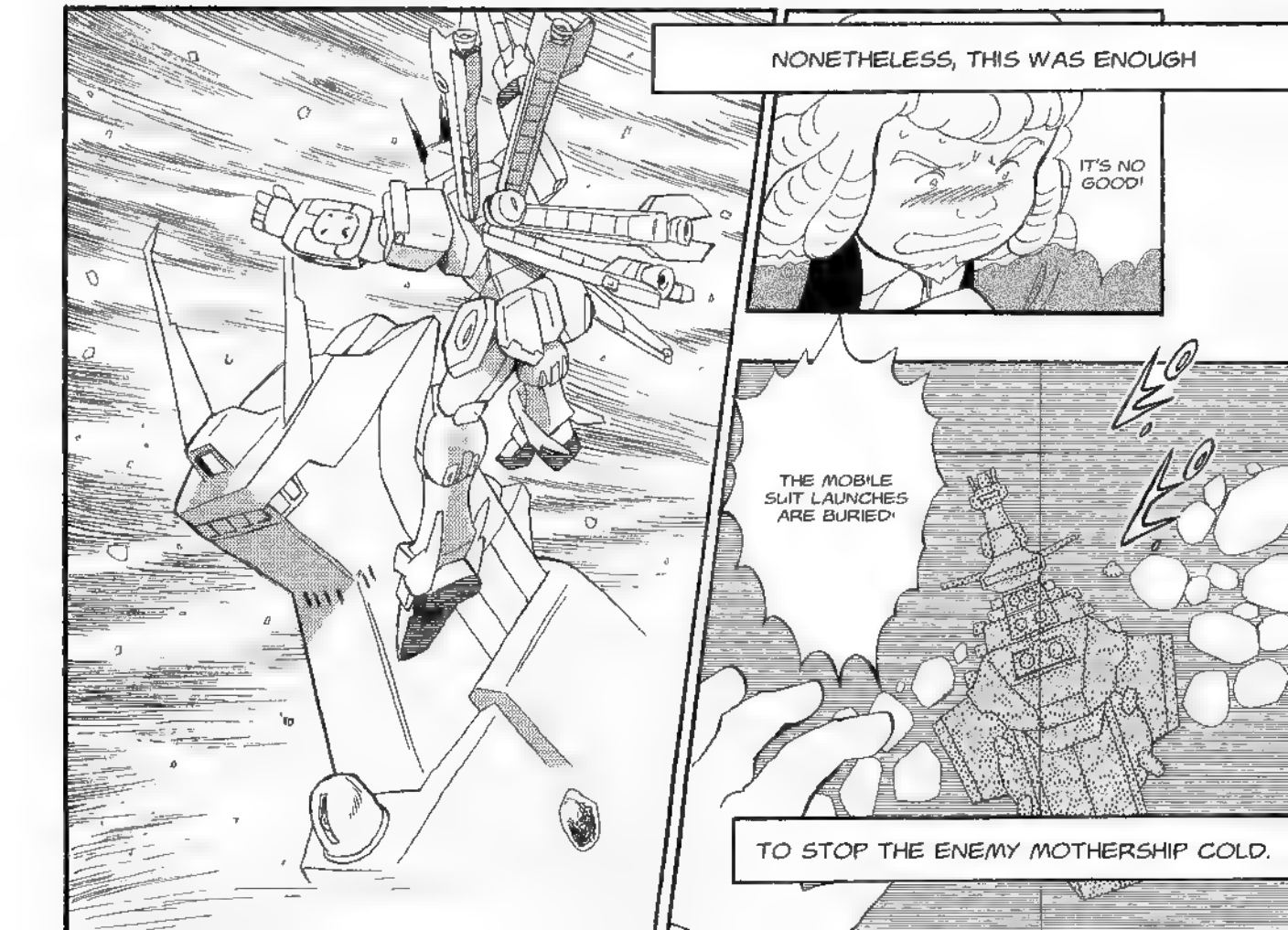
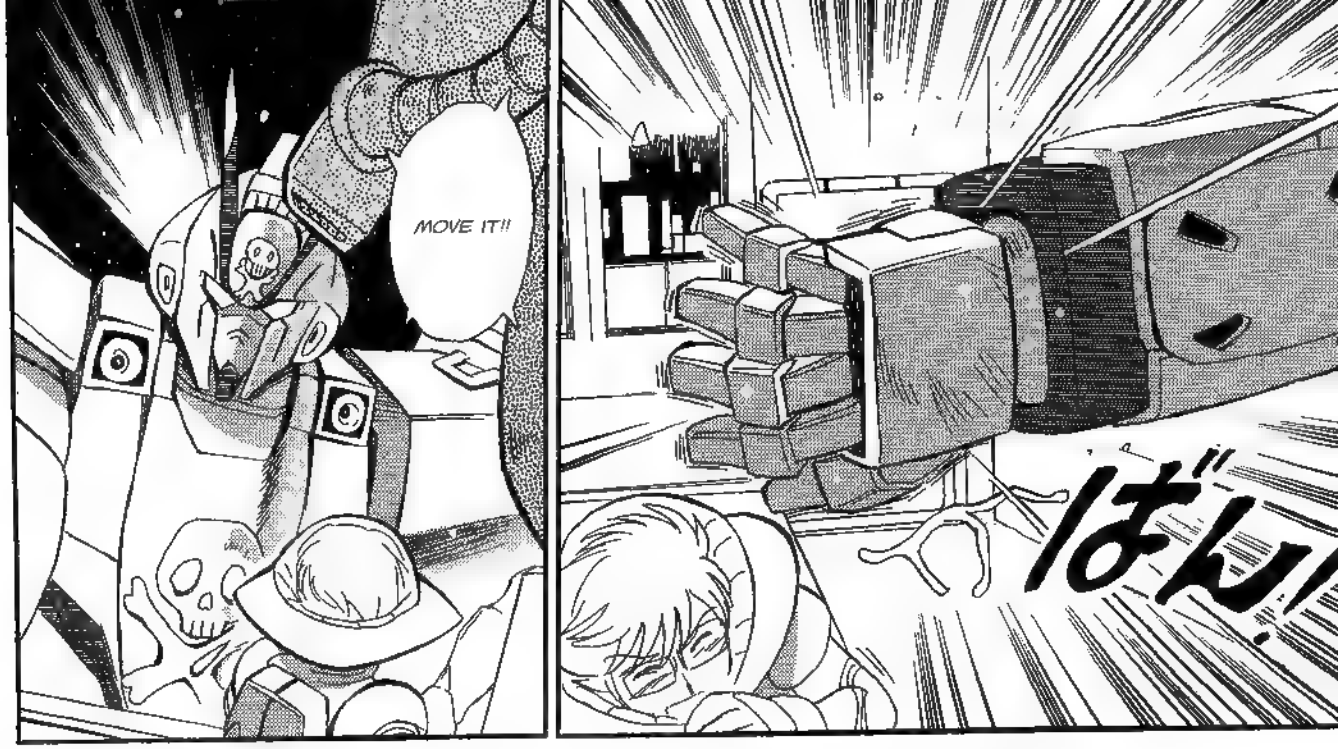
THE SPACE PIRATES ARE CALLING THEMSELVES THE CROSSBONE VANGUARD.
WHAT? THERE'S JUST NO WAY!
WHAT IS THAT? A PIRATE'S FLAG?


OUR ATTACK COMMENCED.
UNDER THE LOW GRAVITY OF THE MOON
THE DEBRIS CASCADED DOWNWARD AS IF IT WERE IN SLOW MOTION.


NONETHELESS, THIS WAS ENOUGH
IT'S NO GOOD!
THE MOBILE SUIT LAUNCHES ARE BURIED!
TO STOP THE ENEMY MOTHERSHIP COLD.

I'M DESTROYING THE BRIDGE!
UNLESS YOU WANT TO DIE.
I SUGGEST YOU AMSCRAY!

OH SHIT!!
I'M ON IT!
FONT!


MOVE IT!!
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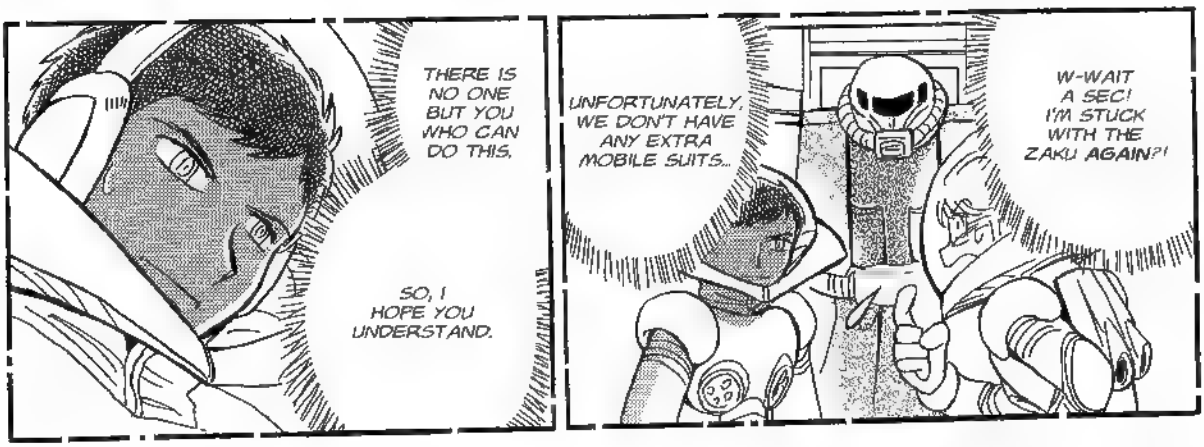
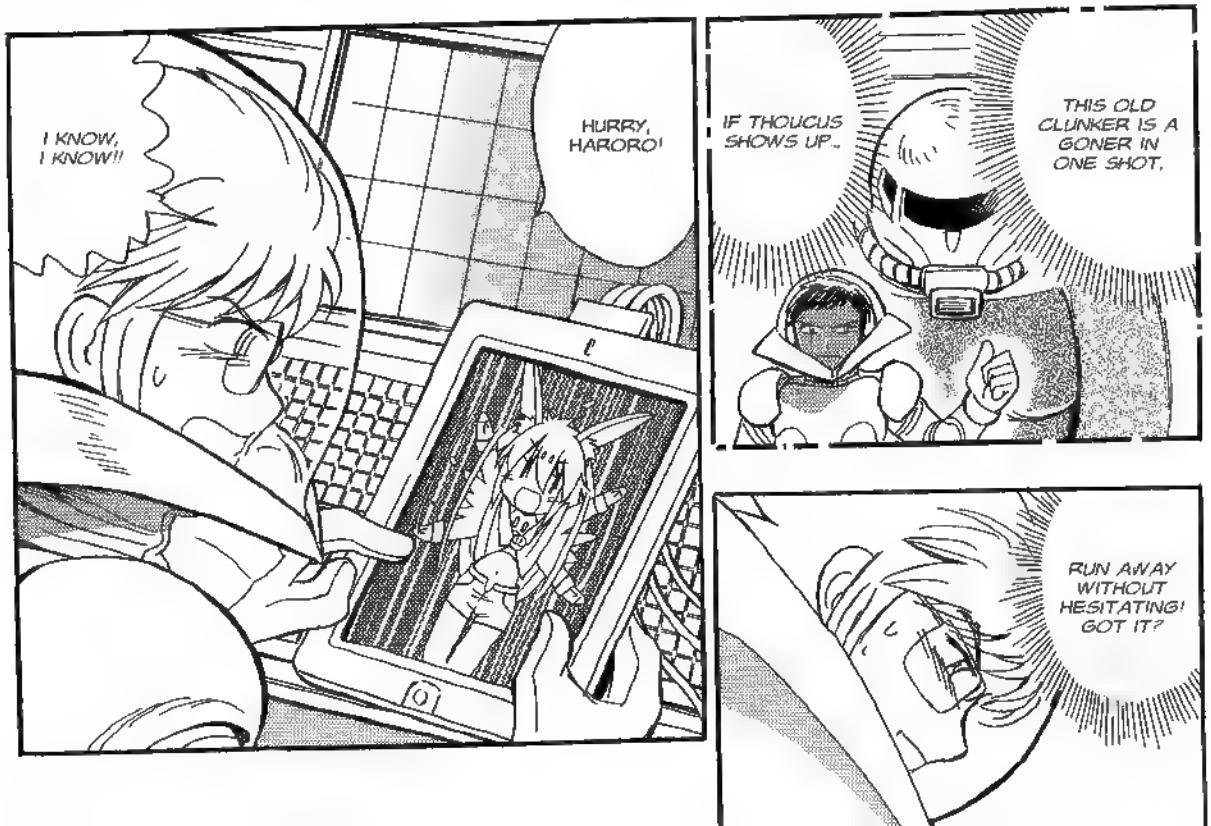

THERE IS NO ONE BUT YOU WHO CAN DO THIS.
SO, I HOPE YOU UNDERSTAND.
UNFORTUNATELY, WE DON'T HAVE ANY EXTRA MOBILE SUITS..
W-WAIT A SEC! I'M STUCK WITH THE ZAKU AGAIN?!


I KNOW, I KNOW!!
HURRY, HARORO!
IF THOUGUS SHOWS UP..
THIS OLD CLUNKER IS A GONER IN ONE SHOT.
RUN AWAY WITHOUT HESITATING! GOT IT?

WELL NOW, WHAT PERFECT TIMING FOR THE ENEMY TO APPEAR!
SHALL WE TAKE THIS TIME TO SHOW YOU A SAMPLE?
THAT SOUNDS DIVINE. SHOW ME WHAT YOU'RE MADE OF!
THE LAUNCH IS COMPLETELY BLOCKED! WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO ABOUT IT?!
DON'T BE A FOOL! WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!

OH, BY THE WAY..
THERE'S ONE QUICK THING I NEED TO LET YOU KNOW ABOUT
FINE BY ME.
AND? WHAT OF IT?
DO YOU MIND IF THE SHIP IS DESTROYED JUST A BIT?
H-HOW DARE YOU!!
WHO LEAKED THE INTEL AND CALLED THE PIRATES HERE.
I WAS THE ONE..
NOW SHOW ME WHAT YOU'RE MADE OF!
WHAT?!
OH REALLY NOW?

THERE ARE FAR TOO FEW!
HOWEVER, THESE LITTLE THINGS LIKE THIS PIRATE BUNCH SIMPLY WILL NOT SUFFICE!
MY MY, YOU ARE HARD TO DEAL WITH!
I FIGURED YOU'D SAY THAT
OH REALLY NOW?
I BELIEVE YOU'LL FIND THIS SETTLED IN A MATTER OF NO TIME.
I TOOK THE LIBERTY OF CALLING IN THE LEAGUE MILITAIRE AS WELL.

SHOW ME THAT YOU AREN'T ALL TALK.
ELIMINATE THEM ALL!
WHILE I'D LIKE TO SAY THERE WERE A THOUSAND...
HOW DOES FIFTY UNITS SOUND TO YOU?
AND I MIGHT CONSIDER YOUR OFFER!
WHAT A LOGICAL IDEA!
NOW I SEE!
SPLENDID, WELL DONE!
RIVALS TARGETING THE ANGEL CALL WOULD SURELY DROP, WOULD THEY NOT?
I, QUO GREY, AM CONVINCED
IF OUR STRENGTH PROVES ADAQUATE, YOU SHOULD HIRE US...
THEN...

DON'T TELL ME YOU ARE...
PLEASE, SIR...
IMPOSSIBLE! THIS CAN'T BE! WE ARE HERE TOO YOU KNOW!
REALLY NOW?
I TOLD YOU, DID I NOT?
I DON'T TROUBLE MYSELF WITH THOSE THAT ARE OF NO USE TO ME.
WERE WE? WERE WE USED AS BAIT?!
ARE OF NO USE TO ANYONE!
AND IN TURN...
THOSE THAT ARE OF NO USE TO ME...
NOW THEN...
IF YOU WILL EXCUSE ME.
YOU DON'T MEAN...

THE LEAGUE MILITAIRE?!
THIS IS BAD
THE LEAGUE MILITAIRE IS AN ANTI ZANSCARE ORGANIZATION WE'VE NO REASON TO BE AT ODDS WITH THEM
BUT
WE'RE JUST PIRATES TO THEM.
ATTACK IS INEVITABLE.

JUST A LITTLE LONGER
ALMOST THERE!
FONT!

WHAT NOW?!

HUH?!

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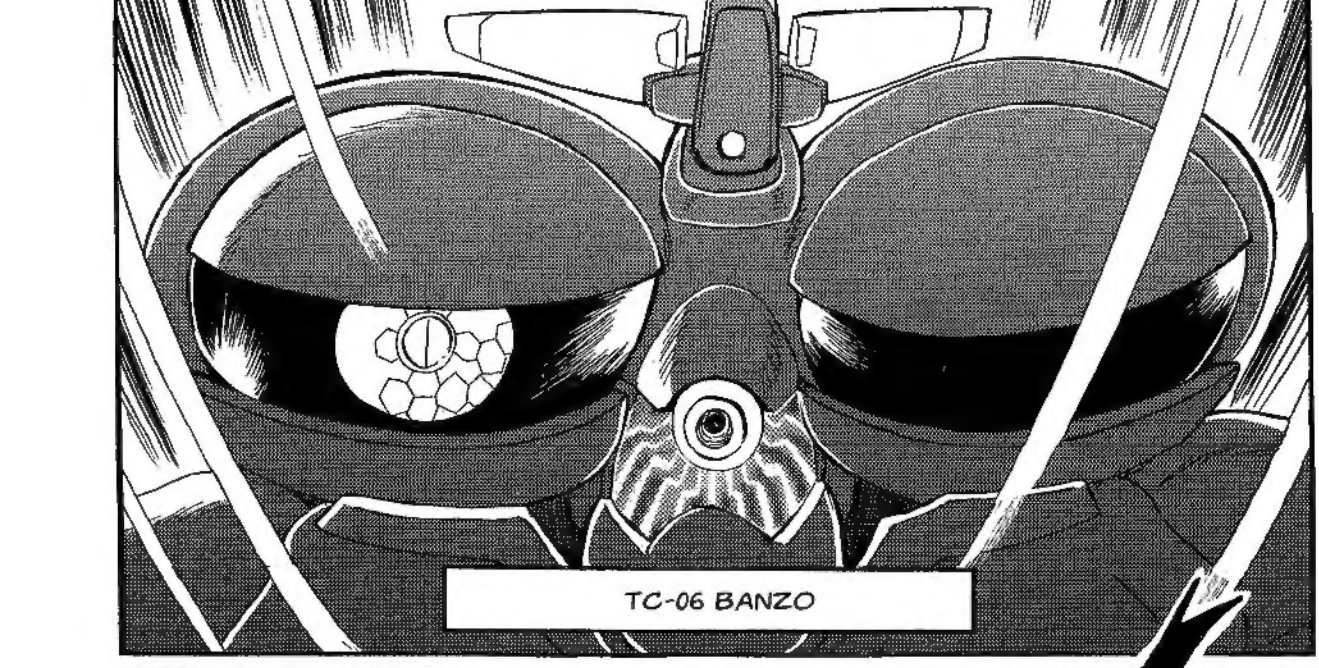
TC-01 LALO
TC-05 GALAHAD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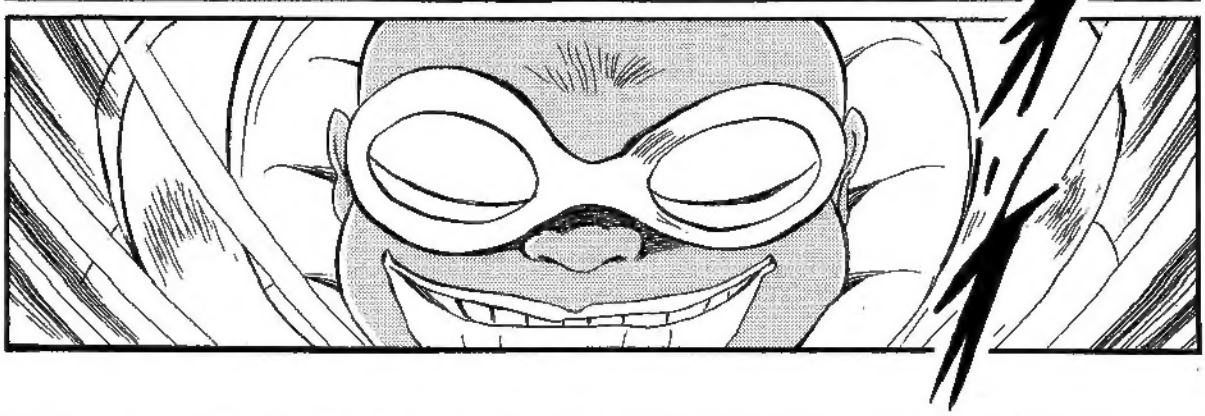

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I'M DONE FOR.
I GUESS THIS MEANS...
WELL THEN...

SO WHAT DO I DO?!